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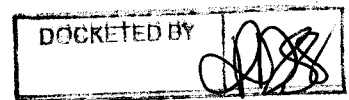
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Re: Goodman Water Company
Docket No. W-02500A-10-0382

To Whom It May Concern:

Enclosed for filing in the above-referenced proceeding are fourteen (14) copies of the prepared Rejoinder Testimony and supporting Exhibits/Appendices of the following witnesses for Goodman Water Company:

1. James A. Shiner;
2. Thomas J. Bourassa;
3. Mark F. Taylor;

Copies of the enclosed prepared Rejoinder Testimony and Exhibits/Appendices of the aforesaid Goodman Water Company witnesses will also be electronically transmitted today to all known parties of record.

Thank you for your assistance in docketing the enclosed documents. Please let me know if you have any questions regarding the same.

Sincerely,

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cc: All parties w/enclosures

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6 **BEFORE THE ARIZONA CORPORATION COMMISSION**
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17 **REJOINDER TESTIMONY OF**
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19 **JAMES A. SHINER**

20 **ON BEHALF OF GOODMAN WATER COMPANY**
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1 **Q.1 Please state your name for the record.**

2 A.1 My name is James A. Shiner.

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4 **Q.2 Have you previously filed testimony regarding this docket?**

5 A.2 Yes. I filed rebuttal testimony in this docket on May 2, 2011.

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7 **Q.3 What was the purpose of your rebuttal testimony?**

8 A.3 I am Goodman Water Company's ("GWC" or "Company") policy witness. I provided
9 certain background information as to the development history of the Eagle Crest Ranch
10 Subdivision ("Eagle Crest"), and the construction of the Company's water utility system.
11 In addition I addressed certain issues raised by Commission Staff, RUCO and the
12 Individual Intervenors.

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14 **Q.4 What is the purpose of your rejoinder testimony?**

15 A.4 I will address certain issues raised by Staff and Intervenors in their Surrebuttal
16 Testimonies associated with the development of Eagle Crest, including the parties roles
17 and the analysis conducted, the upgrade of Water Plant No. 4 and the responsible party,
18 the Tucson housing market in 2006, rate case expense, why GWC did not seek a WIFA
19 loan, and GWC's land bookings and evaluation.

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21 **Q.5 Have you reviewed the June 13, 2011 prepared Surrebuttal Testimony of Intervenor**
22 **Lawrence Wawrzyniak at page 2 lines 18 -26 and page 3 lines 12-19, in which Mr.**
23 **Wawrzyniak questions the role of EC Development and DR Horton in the**
24 **development of Eagle Crest. Can you clarify each entities role?**

25 A.5 Yes. All master planning of Eagle Crest, including the Area Plan, Block Plat and Zoning
26 were done by Goodman Ranch Associations ("GRA") and/or EC Development ("EC").

1 All contacts, including negotiations with the Oracle School District relative to the
2 proposed School Site were handled by EC Development. Throughout GRA/EC remained
3 the master developer of Eagle Crest. For the convenience of the Administrative Law
4 Judge as well as the other parties to this proceeding, the Company, at the hearing, will be
5 providing Google Earth video presentations as well as on-site photographs taken by
6 representatives of WestLand Resources to provide an orientation and overview of Eagle
7 Crest as a whole, as well as to show the location of various water plant facilities within the
8 boundaries of the subdivision.

9 Eagle Crest was planned to include both residential and commercial development.
10 With regard to the residential portion of Eagle Crest, while slight variations occurred from
11 phase-to-phase for various business reasons, the process began with either a purchase
12 contract or the exercise of an option by the homebuilder. Regardless of whose name was
13 on the plat, both the landowners' representative and DR Horton reviewed the plat, met
14 with the planners and shaped the final plat. The same was true of the water plans;
15 however, GWC had final approval. With regard to construction, the budgets were
16 reviewed by GRA/EC and DR Horton and approved by both. Back office functions, such
17 as bookkeeping were handled by DR Horton. DR Horton was the construction
18 coordinator for Phase I. Starting with Phase II, an independent construction coordinator,
19 Terramar Properties was utilized for the remaining phases. Terramar reported to both EC
20 and DR Horton. It was Terramar who had decision-making authority over the
21 construction. Issues would be referred to the management of EC and the Division
22 President of DR Horton. There was an expedited dispute resolution process in the
23 agreements between the parties if agreement could not be reached. As questions arose,
24 such as the upgrade of Plant No. 4, these questions were resolved without a formal
25 process. Budgets were continuously reviewed as construction progressed by all parties
26 and adjustments and revisions were made as needed and only with agreement of EC and

1 DR Horton. The reconciliations were done with the parties and included Terramar. Both
2 overruns and under budget savings were shared by the parties.
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4 **Q.6 In addition, at page 3, line 20- page 4, line 32, Mr. Wawrzyniak questions EC**
5 **Development role in the development of Water Plant No. 4. Please explain why**
6 **Water Plant No. 4 was upgraded and who paid the cost for such upgrades?**

7 A.6 Water Plant No. 4 was upgraded at the request of DR Horton. It was and remains my
8 understanding that DR Horton's motivation for the upgrade was to avoid the need to put
9 fire sprinklers in homes serviced by Plant No. 4. DR Horton was solely responsible for
10 paying the cost of the upgrades.
11

12 **Q.7 Does either GWC or DR Horton have records to indicate that DR Horton did in fact**
13 **pay for the upgrades?**

14 A.7 DR Horton contracted directly for the upgrade and would have the contract(s) and
15 cancelled checks associated with that work. This was done without involving EC.
16 GWC's only involvement was in allowing the upgrade of Plant No. 4 at DR Horton's cost.
17 DR Horton's records are not available to GWC or EC. For the upgrade to have been
18 included in GWC's approved plant the ACC would have to have received invoices for the
19 improvement. GWC submitted none. GWC has no invoice for the upgrade and no
20 cancelled check. This is consistent with the EC/DR Horton budgets which show no actual
21 cost assigned for the upgrade.

22 I spoke a few days ago with Bill Reynolds, the land development manager of DR
23 Horton (as did Mr. Wawrzyniak, according to Mr. Reynolds) who told me he remembers
24 the issue with the upgrade. He remembers the dispute was taken to the Division President
25 of DR Horton who authorized DR Horton to accept the full cost of the upgrade.

1 **Q.8 Have you reviewed the June 13, 2011 prepared Surrebuttal Testimony of Intervenor**
2 **James Schoemperlen at page 6 lines 76 -91, in which Mr. Schoemperlen asserts that**
3 **GWC did not do any analysis related to the additions to GWC equipment and**
4 **infrastructure? Is he accurate?**

5 **A.8** No. GWC's plant additions and expansion plan was based upon (i) a Water System
6 Master Plan prepared by WestLand Resources, and (ii) ongoing analysis as growth was
7 occurring. Although GWC did not undertake a formal financial analysis, GWC did
8 conduct an ongoing analysis based upon growth and made plant additions in accordance
9 with the Water System Master Plan and WestLand Resources' recommendations.

10 Moreover, Mr. Sears and I keep close contact with the local market. In addition to
11 trade meetings, publications, industry meetings and forecasts, we meet with homebuilders,
12 brokers of developable parcels and contractors who build subdivisions. All of the
13 information was taken into consideration prior to construction. We worked with the
14 engineers at WestLand Resources to build the most cost efficient plant possible. As set
15 forth in the Rejoinder Testimony of GWC engineering witness Mark Taylor of WestLand
16 Resources, if GWC were to undertake construction as proposed by the methodology
17 suggested by RUCO and the Intervenor, the costs would be so high that the concerns
18 expressed today would pale in comparison to those generated by the cost to construct
19 piecemeal water infrastructure. Not only will the plant costs increase dramatically,
20 operation and maintenance costs would also significantly increase. When considering
21 these long-term implications, no rational builder or regulator would approve such
22 methodology.

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24 **Q.9 On page 7, line 113- page 8, line 134, Mr. Schoemperlen in his Surrebuttal**
25 **Testimony asserts that it was apparent in 2006 that the housing bubble had burst.**
26 **Do you agree?**

1 A.9 No. If Mr. Schoemperlen means the era of rapidly increasing home sales and prices was
2 ending, I agree. But it was not apparent to the President of the United States, his
3 economic advisors or the Chairman of the Federal Reserve that the housing market had
4 collapsed. On a somewhat lesser note, it was not apparent to Mr. Sears either, who has
5 received training as an economist.

6 More pertinent, locally the Tucson Metropolitan housing market remained
7 vigorous, recording its second best year ever with over 8,000 new homes sold. (See
8 **Spreadsheet attached as Appendix A**). The first year a "bust" is reflected in the Tucson
9 Metro new housing data is year-end 2008, when it dropped from 6,186 to 3,339. That
10 information did not become available until AFTER Plant No. 3 was completed in 2007.
11 Sales of more than 5,000 newly constructed homes were considered a good market.
12 Moreover, the decision to build Phase IV was made before the year-end data for 2005 was
13 available.

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15 **Q.10 Both RUCO and Mr. Schoemperlen question the Company's request for additional**
16 **rate case expense in this case as arbitrary and unsupported. Could you please**
17 **substantiate the actual rate case expense that has been incurred by the Company to**
18 **date and explain why it is much higher than the initial request?**

19 A.10 When we initially estimated rate case expense at \$80,000, GWC's only point of reference
20 was our last rate case in 2007, in which the ACC approved \$100,000. During that case,
21 RUCO was not a party. GWC underestimated the cost associated with prosecuting a case
22 that includes multiple parties and raises additional issues not raised in the previous case.
23 GWC is certainly not suggesting that these parties should not have intervened, or such
24 issues be raised; only that GWC drastically underestimated the cost associated with such
25 intervention.

26 When I compare my involvement to the last rate case, I am spending significantly

1 more time on this case based upon the complexity of the issues. In addition, because I am
2 so intimately involved in this rate case, I cannot and do not question the legitimacy of the
3 time expended by our staff and outside consultants and professionals. The Company has
4 been required to respond to multiple sets of discovery from multiple parties as well as
5 having to retain an additional appraisal witness to address the land value issue. In some
6 instances, data requests have requested information not readily available or compiled by
7 the Company and required development or creation (such as the cost basis of the land).
8 Our consultants have counseled that the best approach is to provide as complete an answer
9 as possible. I check the billings and have no reason to believe that the time spent was
10 unnecessary. Attached as **Appendix B** is a breakdown of rate case expense to date.

11 The relationships with most of the professionals involved in this case (Mike
12 McNulty, Ron Kozoman, Tom Bourassa & Mark Taylor) have been very long term,
13 trusted relationships. While this is the first occasion GWC has worked with Larry
14 Robertson, Mr. Robertson has been known to me for over 30 years and his reputation is
15 sterling. With a proceeding this vigorous, the costs should be no surprise, least of all to
16 RUCO and the Intervenors, who probably have worked very hard on their positions as
17 well.

18
19 **Q.11 Has the Company taken any steps to try to control rate case expense?**

20 A.11 Yes. On more than one occasion I have advised our consultants of my concerns with
21 regard to escalating costs and the proportionality of these costs to the size of the rate
22 request and the size of the Company. I have requested that they be very careful with the
23 time they bill to the Company, while they do the job correctly. Each has made that
24 commitment and informed me that there has been time that could have been legitimately
25 billed, but was not. The actual costs are now just under \$160,000 and climbing. (See
26 **Appendix B**). In addition, both Mr. Sears and I have spent a significant amount of our

1 time assisting in this case without receiving additional compensation.

2
3 **Q.12 Can you please address the assertion in this case that GWC's existing system**
4 **facilities could serve 1,800 customer connections?**

5 A.12 It is my understanding that this assertion appeared in a 2010 ACC Staff Memorandum
6 authored by ACC Director Steve Olea to support an ACC recommendation that GWC's
7 2007 request for a hook-up fee be denied. As Mr. Taylor has testified in his Rebuttal
8 Testimony on pages 16-19 (Question No. 22), GWC's existing system facilities is
9 designed to serve approximately 1,332 units.

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11 **Q.13 Parties have raised an issue regarding GWC's failure to seek a WIFA loan to fund**
12 **plant expansion. Can you expand on the Company's previous testimony as to why**
13 **GWC did not utilize WIFA for financing plant expansion?**

14 A.13 No. Obtaining a WIFA loan was simply not a cost effective solution. The associated
15 costs with acquiring the loan, the continuing reporting requirements and the requirement
16 that all of the assets of the Company collateralize the loan make it a clearly undesirable
17 alternative. I mention the collateralization issue because should the Company need to
18 borrow again, its ability would be impaired due to the prior collateralization by WIFA.

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20 **Q.14 Have you reviewed the June 13, 2011 prepared Surrebuttal Testimony of Staff**
21 **witness Marlin Scott Jr., at page 9, lines 2-9, in which he proposes that GWC file as a**
22 **compliance matter, five (5) proposed ADWR Best Management Practices ("BMP's")**
23 **for approval by the ACC. Is this acceptable to GWC?**

24 A.14 Yes it is.

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1 Q.15 At page 6, lines 7-14 of the Surrebuttal Testimony of Mr. Scott, Staff accepts the
2 Company's position that the 190,000 gallon "upsizing" of the Water Plant No. 3
3 storage tank at a cost of \$72,350 is not part of the rate case. Is he correct?

4 A.15 Yes he is.
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6 Q.16 Have you reviewed the June 13, 2011 prepared Surrebuttal Testimony of Staff
7 witness Gordon L. Fox, at page 16, lines 1-14 in which he is skeptical that the
8 Company's failure to book the land parcel acquisitions for Water Plant Nos. 1-4
9 until 2008 was inadvertent? Please explain how those parcels were inadvertently
10 overlooked.

11 A.16 The failure to book the land parcels was an oversight. GWC made a mistake and we
12 overlooked the land values. However, it was a mistake that did not negatively affect the
13 rate-payers. In fact, had each site been timely transferred and booked, it could have been
14 included in the rate base earlier. Thus, to the extent they were not included earlier, the
15 rate-payers have benefitted. I apologize for the error.
16

17 Q.17 At page 17, line 9- page 18, line 7, of his Surrebuttal Testimony, Mr. Fox states that
18 the Company has failed to meet its burden of proof for the valuation of its claimed
19 land parcels because the Company failed to provide information on E.C.
20 Developments book values for the four (4) parcels in question. Has the Company
21 provided this information?

22 A.17 Yes. On June 23, 2011 the Company served its Supplemental Response to Intervenors
23 Fifth Set of Data Requests providing the book values for the four (4) parcels as follows:
24 Plant No. 1- \$83,629.78; Plant No. 2- \$58,076.24; Plant No. 3-\$66,54.63; and Plant No. 4-
25 \$24,499.66, for a total of \$232,746.30.

26 In calculating the book value of the parcels, the Company took into account all

1 costs that were incurred in order to make the land suitable for use by the Company in
2 connection with its water utility operations. In that regard, since the parcels upon which
3 the facilities comprising Water Plant Nos. 1-4 are located were never valued as separate
4 parcels prior to their legal conveyance to the Company, any attempt to assign a "book
5 value" to them must be derived by using a combination of (i) the gross acquisition cost of
6 the total acreage acquired for the Phase(s) of Eagle Crest within which a given Water
7 Plant parcel is located, and (ii) the total land development or land improvement cost
8 associated with the phase in question. I have attached a spreadsheet as **Appendix C**
9 setting forth the Company's calculations. The book value determinations are set forth in
10 the column entitled "Improved or Developed Book Value.

11 It remains the Company's position that land values for the four (4) parcels in
12 question that should be used in this case are those determined in the appraisal prepared by
13 Company witness John Ferenchak, which was filed as part of the Company's Rebuttal
14 Testimony and reflected in the last column on **Appendix C**.

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16 **Q.18 At page 19, line 19- page 20, line 7, of his Surrebuttal Testimony, Mr. Fox states that**
17 **the Company is not requesting ratemaking recognition of \$72,350 of storage**
18 **reservoir at Water Plant No. 3 which represents 190,000 gallons of capacity not**
19 **currently needed. Is he correct?**

20 **A.18 Yes he is.**

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22 **Q.19 At page 34, lines 1-7; and page 37, line 23-page 38, line 4, of his Surrebuttal**
23 **Testimony, Mr. Fox is recommending that the Company implement written policies**
24 **to guide affiliated transactions and the hiring of outside consultants. Does the**
25 **Company agree to abide by these recommendations?**

26 **A.19 Yes we do.**

1 **Q.20** At page 25, line 19-page 26, line 20, of his Surrebuttal Testimony, Mr. Fox indicates
2 that Staff supports the Company's request for additional rate case expense and
3 agrees that \$40,000 per year is reasonable given RUCO's intervention, major
4 differences between the parties unlikely to be resolved by the time of the hearing,
5 and expense incurred to date. Do you have any additional comment?

6 **A.20** Yes. I want to express GWC's appreciation for Staff's recognition that GWC has incurred
7 an unexpectedly large amount of rate case expense, with more to be incurred before a final
8 decision is reached in this matter. As I have testified above, the Company has taken great
9 effort in trying to limit rate case expense to date and will continue to stay diligent. That
10 being said, the unanticipated expense associated with prosecuting this rate case has
11 reached such a magnitude as to stress GWC's financial condition and conceivably could
12 jeopardize its ability to provide ongoing adequate and reliable service to its customers if
13 substantial rate relief is not forthcoming in the near future.

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15 **Q.21** Does this conclude your Rejoinder Testimony in this case?

16 **A.21** Yes, it does.
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JAMES A. SHINER

REJOINDER TESTIMONY

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APPENDIX A

SELECTED DATA ON THE TUCSON HOUSING MARKET FOR YEARS
2002 - 2010
ANNUAL HOME SALES FOR THE FOLLOWING AREAS

YEARS	TUCSON METRO AREA	EAGLE CREST
2002	5846	9
2003	6549	81
2004	7438	136
2005	8623	166
2006	8149	47
2007	6186	72
2008	3339	48
2009	2245	36
2010	1778	37

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JAMES A. SHINER

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APPENDIX B

GOODMAN WATER COMPANY
2010 RATE CASE COSTS

	BOURASSA	ROBERTSON	NATHANSON	SMYTH	WESTLAND	TOTAL
ESTIMATE						\$80,000.00
INVOICE DATE						
6/30/2010				\$1,575.00		
7/15/2010	\$500.00	\$200.29				
7/31/2010				\$1,350.00		
8/6/2010	\$3,910.00					
8/15/2010		\$253.24				
8/31/2010				\$15.00		
9/15/2010		\$990.00				
9/30/2010				\$630.00		
10/1/2010	\$6,252.50					
10/15/2010		\$2,865.37				
10/31/2010			\$3,353.10			
10/31/2010				\$885.00		
11/10/2010	\$3,490.00					
11/15/2010		\$4,676.65				
11/22/2010					\$3,901.50	
11/30/2010			\$937.50			
11/30/2010				\$120.00		
12/14/2010					\$1,655.50	
12/15/2010		\$1,512.50				
12/31/2010				\$1,460.00		
1/17/2011				\$917.76		
1/14/2011	\$3,490.00					
1/15/2011		\$1,082.72				
1/18/2011					\$3,715.00	
2/14/2011	\$2,915.00					
2/15/2011		\$4,171.82				
2/17/2011					\$2,507.50	
2/17/2011			\$156.25			
2/28/2011				\$255.00		
3/15/2011		\$7,691.39				
3/16/2011					\$3,685.48	
3/31/2011				\$780.00		
4/9/2011	\$12,677.50					
4/15/2011		\$20,603.43				
4/20/2011					\$4,830.59	
4/30/2011				\$120.00		
5/15/2011		\$10,548.30				
5/19/2011	\$18,285.62					
5/23/2011					\$8,520.72	
5/31/2011			\$906.25			
6/15/2011		\$7,324.12				
TOTALS TO DATE	\$51,520.62	\$61,919.83	\$5,353.10	\$8,107.76	\$28,816.29	\$155,717.60

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APPENDIX C

PHASE	ACRES	COST PER ACRE *	RAW LAND COST	DEVELOPMENT COST **	IMPROVED OR DEVELOPED COST	IMPROVED OR DEVELOPED COST / ACRE	WATER CO SITE	ACRES	IMPROVED OR DEVELOPED BOOK VALUE	NALFEH'S VALUE	FARENCHER'S VALUE
1	68.93	\$10,486.20	\$722,813.77	\$7,283,576.00	\$8,006,389.77	\$116,152.47	Plant #1	0.72	\$83,629.78	\$180,000.00	\$140,000.00
							Plant #2	0.25	\$58,076.24	\$60,000.00	\$65,000.00
3	43.66	\$10,486.20	\$457,827.49	\$2,284,877.48	\$2,742,704.97	\$62,819.63	Plant #4	0.39	\$24,499.66	\$100,000.00	\$85,000.00
4	95.705	\$10,486.20	\$1,003,581.77	\$9,104,785.13	\$10,108,366.90	\$105,620.05	Plant #3	0.63	\$66,540.63	\$150,000.00	\$165,000.00
								1.99	\$232,746.30	\$490,000.00	\$455,000.00
			PURCHASE PRICE FROM RULION & AVEZ GOODMAN 04/15/1985				467.155 ACRES		\$4,103,317.90		
			GOODMAN RANCH ASSOCIATES IMPROVEMENTS 04/15/1985-06/12/01						\$795,363.30		
			GOODMAN RANCH ASSOCIATES BOOK VALUE ON 06/12/01						\$4,898,681.20		
			COST PER ACRE					*	\$10,486.20		
			**	PER DEVELOPMENT BUDGET (ACTUAL COSTS)							

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17 **REJOINDER TESTIMONY OF**

18 **THOMAS J. BOURASSA**

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20 **ON BEHALF OF GOODMAN WATER COMPANY**
21 **(COST OF CAPITAL)**

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1 **I. INTRODUCTION AND PURPOSE OF TESTIMONY**

2 **Q1. PLEASE STATE YOUR NAME AND ADDRESS.**

3 A1. My name is Thomas J. Bourassa. My business address is 139 W. Wood Drive,
4 Phoenix, Arizona 85029.

5 **Q2. ON WHOSE BEHALF ARE YOU TESTIFYING IN THIS CASE?**

6 A2. I am testifying on behalf of the applicant, Goodman Water Company ("GWC" or
7 the "Company").
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9 **Q3. ARE YOU THE SAME THOMAS J. BOURASSA THAT FILED DIRECT**
10 **AND REBUTTAL TESTIMONY IN THIS DOCKET?**

11 A3. Yes. I am submitting separately bound rejoinder testimony on rate base, income
12 statement, revenue requirement and rate design, along with this rejoinder testimony
13 on the cost of capital
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15 **Q4. WHAT IS THE PURPOSE OF THIS VOLUME OF YOUR REJOINDER**
16 **TESTIMONY?**

17 A4. I will summarize the rejoinder position of the Company and provide a response, as
18 appropriate, to the Surrebuttal Testimony of Mr. Manrique on behalf of Staff, the
19 Surrebuttal Testimony of Mr. Rigsby on behalf of RUCO, and the Surrebuttal
20 Testimony of Mr. Schoemperlen.
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22 **II. SUMMARY OF REJOINDER TESTIMONY AND THE PROPOSED COST**
23 **OF CAPITAL FOR THE COMPANY**

24 **A. Summary of Company's Rejoinder Recommendation**

25 **Q5. WHAT IS THE COMPANY'S REJOINDER POSITION ON THE COST OF**
26 **CAPITAL?**

1 A5. The Company's position regarding the cost of equity has not changed since my
2 rebuttal testimony was filed on May 17, 2011. The Company's proposed capital
3 structure is 18.3 percent debt and 81.7 percent equity. I continue to recommend a
4 cost of equity of 10.2 percent, which results in a weighted cost of capital
5 ("WACC") of 9.89 percent.

6 As I explained in my rebuttal testimony, I believe that a return on equity of
7 10.2 percent is fair and reasonable, and properly takes into account GWC's
8 financial and business risk. It is based on applying the Discounted Cash Flow
9 ("DCF") model and the Capital Asset Pricing Model ("CAPM") to the sample
10 group of publicly traded water utilities normally used by Staff and approved by the
11 Commission in setting rates for numerous water and wastewater utilities. The
12 return produced by those models was then adjusted downward by 70 basis points to
13 account for the absence of debt in the Company's capital structure, and then,
14 finally, upward by 100 basis points to account for the Company's extremely small
15 size, lack of investment liquidity, and the additional risk that results from the
16 particular rate-making methods employed in Arizona. The table below summarizes
17 the Company's final position:

<u>Method</u>	<u>Low</u>	<u>High</u>	<u>Midpoint</u>
Range DCF Constant Growth Estimates	8.7%	9.5%	9.1%
Range of CAPM Estimates	<u>10.2%</u>	<u>13.4%</u>	<u>11.8%</u>
Average of DCF and CAPM midpoint estimates	<u>9.4%</u>	<u>11.4%</u>	<u>10.4%</u>
Financial Risk Adjustment	-0.7%	-0.7%	-0.7%
Specific Company Risk Premium	<u>1.0%</u>	<u>1.0%</u>	<u>1.0%</u>
Indicated Cost of Equity	9.7%	11.7%	10.7%

Recommended Cost of Equity

10.2%

I am recommending a 10.2% return on equity rather than the indicated 10.7% return on equity in order to help mitigate the impact on rate payers. The schedules containing the cost of capital analysis are attached to my cost of capital rejoinder testimony. There have been no significant changes in the financial markets that affect that analysis, which was performed approximately twelve weeks ago. Economic growth remains sluggish after growing at an anemic rate of about 2.0% during the first half of this year. The unemployment rate remains at over 9.0% and the housing market continues to put a drag on the economy. Consumer confidence is also on the wane.

Q6. PLEASE SUMMARIZE YOUR RECOMMENDED REJOINDER COST OF DEBT AND EQUITY, AND YOUR RECOMMENDED REJOINDER RATE OF RETURN ON RATE BASE.

A6. The Company's recommended capital structure consists of 18.27 percent debt and 81.73 percent common equity as shown on Rejoinder Schedule D-1. Based on my updated cost of capital analysis, I am recommending a cost of equity of 10.2 percent. Based on my 10.2 percent recommended cost of equity and 8.5 percent cost of debt, the Company's weighted cost of capital ("WACC") is 9.89 percent, as shown on Rejoinder Schedule D-1.

B. Summary of the Staff, RUCO, and Schoemperlen Recommendations.

Q7. PLEASE SUMMARIZE THE RESPECTIVE RECOMMENDATIONS OF STAFF, RUCO, AND SCHOEMPERLEN FOR THE RATE OF RETURN

1 **ON FAIR VALUE RATE BASE.**

2 A7. Staff is recommending a capital structure consisting of 18.6 percent debt and 81.4
3 percent equity.¹ Staff determined a cost of equity of 9.3 percent based on the
4 average cost of equity produced by its DCF and CAPM models.² Staff did not
5 consider firm size and firm-specific risks in its analysis. Staff also determined the
6 cost of debt to be 8.5 percent.³ Based on its 18.6 percent debt and 81.4 percent
7 equity capital structure, Staff determined the WACC for GWC to be 9.2 percent.⁴

8 RUCO also did not consider firm-size and firm-specific risks other than
9 financial risk. RUCO determined its recommended cost of equity of 9.0 percent
10 based on the results of its DCF and CAPM methods.⁵ But, RUCO also recommends a
11 hypothetical capital structure of 40 percent debt and 60 percent equity and a
12 hypothetical cost of debt of 6.13%.⁶ Based on its hypothetical 40 percent debt and
13 60 percent equity capital structure, RUCO determined the WACC for GWC to be
14 7.85 percent.⁷ The hypothetical capital structure and hypothetical debt results in an
15 effective overall return on equity of only 6.6 percent. This return is clearly
16 inadequate and does not meet the just and reasonable standards as set out in *Hope*
17 and *Bluefield*.⁸

18 Mr. Schoemperlen recommends a cost of equity of 8.02 percent.⁹ Like

19 ¹ See Surrebuttal Testimony of Juan C. Manrique ("Manrique Sb.") at 2.

20 ² *Id.*

21 ³ *Id.*

22 ⁴ *Id.*

23 ⁵ See Surrebuttal Testimony of William A. Rigsby ("Rigsby Sb.") at 2.

24 ⁶ *Id.*

25 ⁷ *Id.*

26 ⁸ Bourassa Dt. at 13-14.

⁹ See Surrebuttal Testimony of James Schoemperlen ("Schoemperlen Sb.") at 11 and
Schoemperlen Surrebuttal Schedule L.

RUCO, Mr. Schoemperlen recommends a hypothetical capital structure of 40 percent debt and 60 percent equity. Mr. Schoemperlen recommends a cost of debt of 5.89 percent which is comprised of 18.32 percent debt at a cost of 8.5 percent and 21.68 percent debt at a cost of 3.68 percent. Based on his hypothetical 40 percent debt and 60 percent equity capital structure, Mr. Schoemperlen determined the WACC for GWC to be 7.17 percent.¹⁰ The hypothetical capital structure and hypothetical debt results in an effective overall return on equity of only 5.89 percent under Mr. Schoemperlen's approach. Like RUCO's low effective return on equity, the 5.89 is clearly inadequate and does not meet the just and reasonable standards as set out in *Hope* and *Bluefield*.

Q8. PLEASE SUMMARIZE THE PARTIES RESPECTIVE COST OF EQUITY ESTIMATES AND RECOMMENDATIONS.

A8. The respective parties' cost of equity recommendations are summarized below:

<u>Party</u>	<u>DCF</u>	<u>CAPM</u>	<u>Avg.</u>	<u>Size& Fin. Risk</u>	<u>Overall</u>	<u>Recommended</u>
GWC	9.1%	11.8%	10.4%	0.3%	10.7%	10.2%
Staff	9.2%	9.3%	9.3%	-	9.3%	9.3%
RUCO	9.2%	5.85%	7.52%	-	7.72%	9.0%
Intervener Schoemperlen						7.17%

III. RESPONSE TO PARTIES' SURREBUTTAL TESTIMONY

A. Response to Surrebuttal Testimony of Staff.

¹⁰ *Id.*

1 Q9. PLEASE COMMENT ON MR. MANRIQUE'S SURREBUTTAL
2 TESTIMONY ON PAGE 3 THAT YOU HAVE NOT DEMONSTRATED
3 THAT ANALYST ESTIMATES ARE WIDELY-HELD BY INVESTORS.

4 A9. Mr. Manrique states that because investors are keenly aware the published books
5 and articles that cast doubt on the accuracy of research analysts' forecasts that
6 investors use other methods to assess future growth.¹¹ I have three responses.
7 First, if widely-held investor expectations did not reflect analyst widely-held
8 expectations then why is there so much concern over the accuracy of those
9 forecasts. Since 1992, there have been hundreds of papers related to financial
10 analysts appearing in a nearly a dozen major research journals.¹² Researchers
11 routinely assert that analyst forecasts are optimistic, but the evidence supporting
12 overall optimism is contextually confined and sample period specific. Abarbanell
13 and Lehavy note that "[a]fter four decades of research on the rationality of
14 analysts' forecasts it is somewhat disconcerting that the most definitive statements
15 observers and critics of earnings forecasters appear willing to agree on are ones for
16 which there is only tentative support."¹³

17 Third, Mr. Manrique provides no evidence (either published books or
18 articles) on the extent investors rely on other measures of growth.¹⁴ He just assumes
19 that a 50% weighting of historical and future growth rates reflects investor's
20 widely-held expectations. Fourth, and most importantly, he continues to ignore the
21 conclusion of Gordon, Gordon and Gould that analyst growth expectations of

22 ¹¹ Manrique Sb. at 3.

23 ¹² Ramnath, S., S. Rock & P. Shane. (2008). The financial analyst forecasting literature: A
24 Taxonomy with suggestions for further research, *International Journal of Forecasting*, 24, 35.

25 ¹³ Abarbanell J. & . Lehavy. (2003). Biased forecasts or biased earnings? The role of reported
26 earnings in explaining apparent bias and over/underreaction in analysts' earnings forecasts.
Journal of Accounting and Economics, 36, 105-146.

¹⁴ Bourassa Rb. at 16.

1 earnings per share ("EPS") of utility stocks provide the best measure of predicting
2 returns on these stocks.¹⁵

3 Finally, at the risk of repeating myself, Mr. Manrique offers no evidence that
4 any of the measures of past growth he has used – historical EPS, historical DPS,
5 historical sustainable growth – provides a better forecast of future growth for
6 utilities than analysts' estimates of growth.¹⁶

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8 **Q10. AREN'T THE COST OF EQUITY ESTIMATES FOR YOUR DCF MODEL**
9 **SIMILAR TO STAFF?**

10 A10. Yes, the mid-point of the Company's DCF cost of equity estimates is 9.1%¹⁷
11 whereas Staff's is 9.2%¹⁸. The difference in the over-all cost of equity estimates
12 between Staff and the Company is primary due to differences in each of the parties
13 respect CAPM estimates. My estimate for the CAPM is 11.8%¹⁹ whereas Staff's is
14 9.3%.²⁰

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16 **Q11. WHAT IS CAUSING THE DIFFERENCE IN THE CAPM ESTIMATES?**

17 A11. There are two main differences. First, the Company uses a forecast estimate of the
18 long-term U.S. Treasury yield as a proxy for the risk-free rate in its Historical
19 Market Risk Premium CAPM whereas Staff uses the average of the 5, 7, and 10-
20 year U.S. Treasury bonds. The choice of the risk-free rate alone accounts for the

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22 ¹⁵ David A. Gordon, Myron J. Gordon and Lawrence I Gould, "Choice Among Methods of
Estimating Share Yield," *Journal of Portfolio Management* (Spring 1989) 50-55.

23 ¹⁶ See Rebuttal Testimony of Thomas J. Bourassa - Cost of Capital ("Bourassa Rb.") at 15

24 ¹⁷ See Company Rejoinder Schedule D-4.1

25 ¹⁸ See Staff Surrebuttal Schedule JCM-3

26 ¹⁹ See Company Rejoinder Schedule D-4.1

²⁰ See Staff Surrebuttal Schedule JCM-3

1 approximately 220 basis point difference in the Historical Market Risk Premium
2 CAPM estimate between Staff and the Company. Second, while both Staff and
3 the Company use long-term 30-year U.S Treasury bond yields as a proxy for the
4 risk-free rate in the Current Market Risk Premium CAPM, the Company uses a
5 forecast yield estimate of the long-term U.S. Treasury yield whereas Staff uses a
6 spot yield of the long-term U.S. Treasury yield. This accounts for 80 basis points
7 of the approximate 260 basis point difference in the Company's and Staff's
8 respective Current Market Risk Premium CAPM estimate. The remaining 200
9 basis point difference is due to the Company's and Staff's respective choices on the
10 current market risk premium estimate. The Company uses a recent six month
11 average of current market risk premium estimates whereas Staff uses a spot
12 estimate.

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14 **Q12. WHY DOES THE COMPANY USE A LONG-TERM U.S. TREASURY**
15 **BOND YIELD IN BOTH THE CURRENT AND HISTORICAL MARKET**
16 **RISK PREMIUM CAPM?**

17 A12. The appropriate proxy for the risk-free rate in the CAPM is the return on the
18 longest term Treasury bond possible. There are a number of reasons for this.
19 First, because common stocks are very long-term instruments they are more like
20 very long-term bonds rather than short-term Treasury bills or intermediate-term
21 Treasury notes. Second, as I explained in my rebuttal testimony, the expected
22 stock return is based upon long-term cash flows because the cash flows to investors
23 are expected to last indefinitely.²¹

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26 ²¹ Bourassa Rb. at 42.

1 **Q13. DOES THE INVESTOR'S HOLDING PERIOD MATTER?**

2 A13. No.²²

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4 **Q14. PLEASE CONTINUE?**

5 A14. Third, in a risk premium model, the ideal estimate for the risk-free rate has a term
6 to maturity equal to the security being analyzed. Since common stock is a very
7 long-term investment because the cash flows to investors in the form of dividends
8 last indefinitely, the yield on the longest-term possible government bonds provide
9 the best measure of the risk-free rate for use in the CAPM.

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11 **Q15. WHY DO YOU USE A RECENT SIX MONTH AVERAGE OF CURRENT**
12 **MARKET RISK PREMIUM ESTIMATES INSTEAD OF A SPOT**
13 **CURRENT MARKET RISK PREMIUM ESTIMATE?**

14 A15. Because it is generally a more stable approach, although it still is more volatile that
15 I would like it to be. Spot estimates of the current market risk premium can result
16 in wild fluctuations in the estimate. In fact, spot estimates separated by just weeks
17 can cause the Current Market Risk Premium to vary by several hundred basis
18 points. For example, if Staff had prepared its current market risk premium just 4
19 weeks after it prepared its estimate in the middle of May 2011, the spot current
20 market risk premium estimate would be 10.1% rather than the 8.3% shown in Staff
21 Surrebuttal Schedule JCM-3. At that time, Staff Current Market Risk Premium
22 CAPM would have produced a cost of equity of 12.0% rather than the 10.6% as
23 shown in Staff Surrebuttal Schedule JCM-3.

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26 ²² Bourassa Rb. at 42.

1 Q16. PLEASE COMMENT ON MR. MANRIQUE'S SURREBUTTAL
2 TESTIMONY ON PAGE 5 THAT WHILE FIRM SIZE MAY BE A
3 SYSTEMATIC FACTOR IN THE COST OF EQUITY ESTIMATION, IT
4 HAS NOT BEEN DEMONSTRATED THAT THIS IS TRUE FOR
5 REGULATED UTILITIES AND THEREFORE STAFF REJECTS THIS
6 ASSERTION.

7 A16. I find this perplexing. Regulated businesses are not so unique that they are
8 immune from same market and economic forces that impact other non-regulated
9 businesses. While regulated businesses have a protected service territory, their
10 earnings are not guaranteed and they are subject to the same market forces
11 (including inflation, interest rates, economic growth) as all other businesses.
12 Arguably, because of the obligation to serve combined with the inability to change
13 the price of its products/services without a lengthy rate proceeding, some of these
14 forces have a greater impact on small utility companies. And, because of the
15 greater impacts on small utilities they are often precluded from achieving stable
16 and adequate returns; particularly in jurisdictions where historical test years are
17 used with limited out of period adjustments, like Arizona.

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19 Q17. DO THE AUTHORS OF MORNINGSTAR OR THE DUFF&PHELPS
20 STUDY CAUTION USERS NOT TO USE THE SIZE DATA WHEN
21 DEVELOPING DISCOUNT RATES FOR UTILITIY COMPANIES
22 BECAUSE THE RESULTS OF THEIR STUDIES DO NOT APPLY?

23 A17. No.

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25 Q18. DO OTHER REGULATORS RECOGNIZE THE HIGHER RISK RELATED
26 TO SMALLER WATER UTILITIES?

1 A18. Yes. For example, the California Public Utility Commission ("CPUC") recognizes
2 the higher business and operational risks of smaller utilities by allowing higher
3 returns. Attached at Rejoinder Exhibit TJB-RJ1 is a copy of the March 1, 2011
4 CPUC memo regarding rates of return for Class C and D water utilities. For Class
5 C water utilities (501 to 2,000 customers) the CPUC currently allows returns in the
6 range of 11.125% to 12.25%. For Class B utilities (2001-9,999 customers), the
7 CPUC averages the recently authorized return of the Class A utilities with this of
8 the Class C utilities. So, Class B utilities would receive a return of somewhere
9 between that of a Class A utility and that of a Class C utility. GWC would be
10 classified as a Class C utility under the CPUC guidelines and would be allowed to
11 earn at least 11.25% if it were regulated by the CPUC.

12 The Florida Public Utility Commission ("FPUC") recognizes in its leverage
13 formula as additions to the cost of equity a small company risk premium of 50
14 basis points, a private placement debt premium of 50 basis points, and a bond yield
15 differential of 57 basis points.²³

16
17 **Q19. DOES MR. MANRIQUE DISPUTE THE RESULTS FOUND IN YOUR**
18 **COST OF CAPITAL ANALYSIS USING THE DUFF & PHELPS SIZE**
19 **DATA?**

20 A19. No. It appears it is just easier to discount this analysis on the assertion that it does
21 not apply to small utility companies.

22 **B. Response to RUCO Surrebuttal Testimony**
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25 ²³ See Docket No. 110006-WS – Water and wastewater industry annual reestablishment of
26 authorized range of return on common equity for water and wastewater utilities pursuant to
Section 367.081(4)(f), F.S.

1 Q20. PLEASE RESPOND TO MR. RIGSBY SURREBUTTAL TESTIMONY ON
2 PAGE 8 THAT YOUR RESPONSE TO MR. RIGSBY'S PROPOSAL FOR A
3 HYPOTHETICAL CAPITAL STRUCTURE DESCRIBING IT AS A
4 "SLEIGHT OF HAND" AND AS A "WOLF IN SHEEP'S CLOTHING"
5 WAS UNPROFESSIONAL.

6 A20. It is unfortunate that Mr. Rigsby has taken this view. My intent was to describe
7 Mr. Rigsby's approach as accurately as possible. I believe that these terms are
8 appropriate for an approach that pretends to provide a 9.0 percent return on equity
9 but actually provides a 6.6% ROE on the Company's invested equity capital; a fact
10 that Mr. Rigsby does not disclose.²⁴

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12 Q21. WHAT OTHER FACTS DOES MR. RIGSBY NOT DISCLOSE?

13 Q21. Mr. Rigsby also does not disclose (and does not dispute) is that under his
14 recommendations the Company could not pay dividends from earnings at a level
15 comparable to the publicly traded water utilities.²⁵ Clearly, his recommendations
16 fail the comparable earnings tests set forth in *Hope* and *Bluefield*. Another fact that
17 Mr. Rigsby does not disclose (and does not dispute) is that an investment in GWC
18 will lose a significant amount of value under his recommendations.²⁶ In
19 consideration of these facts and in light of the story line Mr. Rigsby constructs
20 surrounding his recommendations I believe my characterization of his approach to
21 the cost of capital recommendation is both accurate and appropriately professional.

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23 Q22. DOES MR. RIGSBY IMPLY THAT HIS RECOMMENDED

24 ²⁴ Bourassa Rb. at 50.

25 ²⁵ *Id.* at 54-57.

26 ²⁶ *Id.* at 57-58.

1 **HYPOTHETICAL CAPITAL STRUCTURE IS MEANT TO CORRECT A**
2 **GROSSLY UNBALANCED CAPITAL STRUCTURE?**

3 Q22. He seems to do so.²⁷ However, Mr. Rigsby hasn't explained why or provided any
4 evidence that GWC's capital structure is grossly unbalanced and not prudent
5 considering its size. That said, having exposed Mr. Rigsby's prior testimony that
6 he does not recommend hypothetical capital structures when there is existing
7 debt²⁸, Mr. Rigsby now claims that he makes decisions regarding the use of a
8 hypothetical capital structure on a case-by-case basis and that in this particular case
9 it is appropriate.²⁹

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11 **Q23. DOES HE EXPLAIN WHY?**

12 Q23. Yes. According to Mr. Rigsby, in this particular case he believes that because
13 GWC's loan is from a related party that GWC has less financial risk than if the
14 debt were owed to bondholders or a third party financial institution such as a
15 bank.³⁰ I take this to mean that Mr. Rigsby employs a hypothetical capital
16 structure in this rate case in order to account for his opinion that GWC has a lower
17 financial risk than his sample publicly traded water and gas companies.

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19 **Q24. DOES MR. RIGSBY ARGUMENT THAT GWC HAS LOWER FINANCIAL**
20 **RISK BECAUSE THE LOAN IS FROM A RELATED PARTY MAKE**
21 **SENSE?**

22 Q24. No. In order to buy into Mr. Rigsby argument one must accept the proposition

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24 ²⁷ Rigsby Sb. at 8.

25 ²⁸ Bourassa Rb. at 47-47.

26 ²⁹ Rigsby Sb. at 28.

³⁰ *Id.* at 29.

1 that GWC is less obligated to repay its loan because the loan is from a related
2 party. Or, conversely, that the lender is less entitled to receive payment because
3 the lender is a related party. This is absurd. GWC is obligated to repay its loan
4 just like any other loan and the fact that the loan is from a related party does not
5 mean that the financial risk to the GWC is lower.
6

7 **Q25. WHAT IS FINANCIAL RISK?**

8 A25. Financial risk is the additional risk common equity holder's bear when a company
9 uses debt financing and it stems from the probability of impairment of a company's
10 ability to provide an adequate return to its equity holders. Remember, dividends
11 common equity holders have only a residual claim on earnings after the debt is
12 paid. In other words, the debt costs must be paid first and the residual earnings
13 may or may not be sufficient to support the common equity capital (provide an
14 adequate return). This is one of the reasons why equity capital more risky than
15 debt.
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17 **Q26. PLEASE COMMENT ON MR. RIGSBY'S TESTIMONY THAT A**
18 **PRUDENT CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER WOULD OPT FOR A 40%**
19 **DEBT AND 60% EQUITY CAPITAL STRUCTURE BECAUSE IT IS**
20 **MORE PRUDENT?**

21 A26. Mr. Rigsby has not demonstrated that a 40% debt level in the capital structure
22 would be prudent for a small firm like GWC. Further Mr. Rigsby has not
23 quantified or provided any evidence on what the impact on the cost of equity would
24 be at that level of debt for a small firm like GWC. In fact, Mr. Rigsby appears to
25 have little understanding of the fact that the earnings of a company must support
26 both the debt and equity capital. Let me explain. I have shown in my rebuttal, Mr.

1 Rigsby's recommendations in this case result in a payout of over 100% of
2 earnings.³¹ This is not financially sustainable nor is it comparable to the sample
3 publicly traded water utilities.³² A prudent chief financial officer would not raise
4 the level of debt to 40% under those circumstances.

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6 **Q27. DOESN'T MR. RISGSBY DEMONSTRATE ON PAGE 30 OF HIS**
7 **SURREBUTTAL TESTIMONY THAT THE COMPANY WILL BE ABLE**
8 **TO CASH FLOW ITS DEBT AND PAY DIVIDENDS.**

9 A27. Yes. But, this completely misses the point. A company may be able to pay
10 dividends that exceed its earnings from its cash flows from depreciation, but this is
11 not financially sustainable. It is the earnings of a company that supports the
12 invested capital. That is, earnings, not cash flow, must be sufficient to cover the
13 debt costs and the equity costs. If earnings are not sufficient to provide adequate
14 returns to the capital a company, it will not be able to attract capital nor will the
15 company be able to maintain its financial integrity; both of which are key elements
16 of the standards set forth in *Hope* and *Bluefield*. Mr. Rigsby cash flow story line
17 doesn't measure stand up to scrutiny.

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19 **Q28. PLEASE COMMENT ON MR. RISGSBY'S HYPOTHETICAL COST OF**
20 **DEBT.**

21 A28. As already mentioned, Mr. Rigsby's hypothetical cost of debt, applicable to 40
22 percent of his hypothetical capital structure, is 6.13 percent. He bases this debt
23 cost on the average weighted cost of debt for the large, publicly traded water
24 utilities in his water proxy group. Because of their size and the fact that they issue

25 ³¹ Bourassa Rb. at 55-56.

26 ³² *Id.* at 57.

1 debt in the public markets, these utilities have published bond ratings and can
2 generally command low interests. But, as I have shown, even the large water
3 utilities have a wide range of debt costs among their respective debentures ranging
4 from 2.5% to over 10%.³³ Those interest rates reflect, in large part, the timing of
5 when each debenture was issued. GWC issued its debt during a period of relatively
6 high interest rates and should not be second guessed about its debt cost relative to
7 the publicly traded utilities because it has less control of over the timing of issuing
8 debt and it does not have access to the credit markets.³⁴ I suspect that if the
9 Company were here today with a 100% equity capital structure that Mr. Rigsby
10 would be even more assertive in his push for a hypothetical capital structure.
11 That said, Mr. Rigsby assumes that GWC could raise debt capital at the same cost
12 as these entities. I seriously doubt that it could, and note that Mr. Rigsby has
13 presented no evidence to support his assumption.
14

15 **Q29. DO THE COMMISSION DECISIONS CITED BY MR. RIGSBY ON PAGE 8**
16 **AND 9 OF HIS TESTIMONY SUPPORT THE USE OF A 40% DEBT AND**
17 **60% EQUITY HYPOTHETICAL CAPITAL STRUCTURE IN THIS RATE**
18 **CASE?**

19 A29. No. Let me discuss each one. Mr. Rigsby's first cite is to UniSource Energy
20 Corporation ("UniSource"), the parent company of Tucson Electric Power
21 ("TEP"), Decision No. 67454 (January 4, 2005). This was not a rate case and a
22 hypothetical capital structure was not adopted in that case for any purpose.
23 Decision 67454 does refer to an earlier decision for TEP, Decision No. 58497
24 (January 13, 1994), in which a hypothetical capital structure was adopted. In

25 ³³ Bourassa Rb. at 63-64

26 ³⁴ *Id.*

1 Decision No. 58497, the Commission recognized that TEP became insolvent and
2 was forced to negotiate a restructuring plan to avoid bankruptcy proceedings.³⁵ As
3 a result of the restructuring plan, the TEP's capital structure consisted of "over 100
4 percent debt."³⁶ Further, the Commission described TEP as "living generally a
5 hand-to-mouth existence."³⁷ This was truly an extraordinary situation, as the
6 Commission recognized in its decision denying the application of TEP's parent,
7 UniSource Energy Corporation, for approval of its agreement and plan of merger
8 with Saguaro Acquisition Corp. in 2005.³⁸

9 Mr. Rigsby next cites to Southwest Gas Corporation, Decision No. 68487
10 (February 23, 2006). Southwest Gas is a large, publicly traded gas utility, with
11 operations in three states and an original cost rate base of \$923 million.³⁹ The
12 utility had an actual capital structure consisting of 34.5 percent common equity, 5.3
13 percent preferred stock, and 60.2 percent debt during the test year ending August
14 31, 2004, but by June 30, 2005, its common equity ratio had increased to 37
15 percent.⁴⁰ The utility and RUCO recommended increasing Southwest Gas' equity
16 ratio to 42 percent, while Staff recommended increasing Southwest Gas' equity
17 ratio to 40 percent.⁴¹ The Commission adopted Staff's recommendation, but
18 ordered the utility submit a re-capitalization plan explaining how it intends to
19 achieve a common equity ratio of 40 percent before its next rate case.⁴² The unique
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21 ³⁵ *Tucson Electric Power Co.*, Decision No. 58497 (Jan. 13, 1994) at 5-6.

22 ³⁶ *Id.* at 6.

23 ³⁷ *Id.* at 87.

24 ³⁸ *See UniSource Energy Corp.*, Decision No. 67454 at 29-31, 47.

25 ³⁹ *See* Decision No. 68487 at 9-10

26 ⁴⁰ *Id.* at 23.

⁴¹ *Id.* at 23-24.

⁴² *Id.* at 25.

1 facts and circumstance presented in that case are not present here. Of particular
2 note, the hypothetical capital structure that was adopted in that case was only
3 marginally different than the actual capital structure.

4 In the Arizona-American's Mohave Water and Wastewater Districts rate
5 case, Decision No. 69440 (May 1, 2007), the utility's actual capital structure
6 consisted of 37.2 percent equity and 62.8 percent debt.⁴³ The utility and RUCO
7 recommended use of a hypothetical capital structure of 40 percent equity and 60
8 percent debt.⁴⁴ The utility argued that the use of a hypothetical capital structure
9 was appropriate "because its shareholder is currently experiencing an economic
10 loss on its Arizona investment and will continue to do so for at least another five
11 years."⁴⁵ Under these circumstances, the Commission adopted the hypothetical
12 capital structure proposed by Arizona-American and RUCO, but went on to warn
13 that "we offer no assurance that a similar capital structure will be employed in
14 future cases."⁴⁶ Obviously, the unique facts and circumstances presented in that
15 case are not present here. Here again, the hypothetical capital structure was only
16 marginally different than the actual capital structure.

17 In the recent Rio Rico Utilities, Inc. ("RRUI") rate case, Decision 72059
18 (January 6, 2011), the utility had a 100 percent equity capital structure at the end of
19 its test year. RRUI is a water and wastewater utility with nearly 6,000 water and
20 wastewater customers. In that case, both RRUI and Staff proposed the use of a
21 100% capital structure while RUCO proposed a hypothetical capital structure of
22 40% debt and 60% equity.⁴⁷ At the Open Meeting and to help resolve issues in the

23 ⁴³ See *Arizona-American Water Company*, Decision No. 69440 at 13.

24 ⁴⁴ *Id.* at 13.

25 ⁴⁵ *Id.*

26 ⁴⁶ *Id.* at 14.

⁴⁷ See *Rio Rico Utilities, Inc.*, Decision 72059, at 25.

1 case, RRUI committed to file a financing application and infuse 20% debt into its
2 capital structure.⁴⁸ It should be noted that RRUI is a subsidiary of Liberty Water
3 which is owned by Algonquin Power and Utilities Corp., formerly known as the
4 Algonquin Power Income Fund. Algonquin Power and Utilities Corp. is a large
5 publicly traded company on the Toronto Stock Exchange ("TSX"). Having said
6 that, based on RRUI's commitment, RRUI offered to use a hypothetical capital
7 structure of 20 percent debt and 80 percent equity.⁴⁹ The Commission agreed.⁵⁰
8 Again, the unique facts and circumstances presented in that case are not present
9 here.

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11 **Q30. ARE THERE ANY OTHER RATE CASES THAT MR. RIGSBY DOES NOT**
12 **MENTION?**

13 A30. Yes, two. The first involve *Black Mountain Sewer Company* ("BMSC"), Decision
14 71865, September 1, 2010. In that rate case, BMSC and Staff proposed a 100%
15 equity capital structure and RUCO proposed a hypothetical capital structure
16 consisting of 40% debt and 60% equity. BMSC's actual capital structure was
17 19.3% debt and 81.7% equity, but because the debt was treated like an operating
18 lease from a prior decision, a 100% capital structure was proposed by BMSC. The
19 Commission adopted a hypothetical capital structure of 20% debt and 80% debt.⁵¹

20 The second case involved *Gold Canyon Sewer Company* ("GCSC"),
21 Decision 70624, Nov 19, 2008. In that rate case, GCSC had a 100% capital
22 structure and the Commission adopted a hypothetical 40% debt and 80% equity

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24 ⁴⁸ *Id.* at 33.

25 ⁴⁹ *Id.*

26 ⁵⁰ *Id.*

⁵¹ See *Black Mountain Sewer Company*, Decision 71865, at 29.

1 capital structure.⁵²

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3 **Q31. HAS THIS COMMISSION NORMALLY USED HYPOTHETICAL**
4 **CAPITAL STRUCTURES IN SETTING RATES?**

5 A31. No. With four exceptions that I am aware of (all of which were discussed above),
6 in recent decisions involving water and sewer utilities, the Commission has used
7 the utility's actual capital structure. To account for difference in financial risk, this
8 Commission has, in some cases, adjusted the return on equity downward to account
9 for financial risk primarily utilizing the Hamada method.

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11 **Q32. WHAT IS YOUR ASSESSMENT OF THE AUTHORIZED RETURN**
12 **COMPARISONS PRESENTED ON PAGES 9 AND 10 OF MR. RIGBSY'S**
13 **SURREBUTTAL TESTIMONY.**

14 A32. I have a few observations. First, I find Mr. Rigsby's testimony regarding these
15 comparisons a bit petty. While I cannot dispute the fact that my cost of capital
16 recommendations have never been adopted by this Commission, I note that in a
17 majority of the cases listed neither has Mr. Rigsby's cost of capital been adopted.
18 Second, I observe that the average return of all of the water and/or wastewater
19 decisions of 9.3% and are appreciably lower than the currently authorized returns
20 of the sample publicly traded water utilities which are on average over 10.1%.⁵³
21 None of the sample publicly traded water utilities currently have operations subject
22 to Arizona regulation which means that the 10.1% is the assessment of other
23 regulatory commissions as to a fair and reasonable cost of capital (at least for large
24 publicly traded water utilities). I should note that I earlier discussed some

25 ⁵² *Gold Canyon Sewer Company*, Decision 70624, at 14.

26 ⁵³ Bourassa Rb. at 11-12.

1 examples of regulatory bodies that adopt higher costs of equity for smaller private
2 water utilities. That said, the data suggest that this Commission has a propensity to
3 adopt lower equity returns. While disappointing, it comes as no surprise to me or
4 to investors who already recognize the overall effect of the unfavorable regulatory
5 environment here in Arizona.⁵⁴

6 Third, the fact that none of the recommendations proffered by me or the
7 other cost of capital witnesses that participated in those rate case were adopted by
8 this Commission says nothing about my credibility, the credibility of the other
9 witnesses, or of the credibility of the evidence underlying each our
10 recommendations. How the Commission weighs that evidence and makes
11 judgments about the appropriate return in each case is beyond my control.
12 Needless to say, I believe my analysis and approach are sound and supported by
13 the empirical financial data and studies. I find some comfort in the fact that I find
14 myself in the same boat with those of respected PhD.'s like Dr. Thomas Zepp who
15 testified in the Arizona Water Company rate case and Dr. Bente Villadsen who
16 testified in the Arizona-American Water Company rate case.

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18 **Q33. DOES MR. RIGSBY'S EXAMPLE ON PAGES 18 AND 19 OF HIS**
19 **SURREBUTTAL TESTIMONY JUSTIFY USING GEOMETRIC ANNUAL**
20 **AVERAGES TO FORECAST THE FUTURE?**

21 A33. No. His example correctly shows that the geometric annual average is the best way
22 to describe what has happened in the past, but our goal is to forecast what may
23 happen in the future. When we are determining a forecast of the future from past
24 data, we never know what the final outcome will be when we hold risky assets.

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26 ⁵⁴ *Id.* at 30.

1 Therefore, we look at an average of all of the annual returns from the past to try
2 and glean what may happen. If we actually know what is going to happen – as Mr.
3 Rigsby assumes – the asset would be risk-less and not a risky asset like a common
4 stock.

5 I and other experts would agree with Mr. Rigsby that in evaluating the past
6 performance of an investment the geometric mean is the correct measure. As
7 explained in the excerpt from Dr. Morin's text attached to my rebuttal testimony as
8 Rebuttal Exhibit TJB-RB5, the geometric average "is an excellent measure of *past*
9 performance. However, if our focus is on future performance, then the arithmetic
10 average is the statistic of interest because it is an unbiased estimate of the
11 portfolio's expected future return" (italics in text).⁵⁵

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13 **Q34. WOULD YOU RECOMMEND ESTIMATING THE EXPECTED RETURN**
14 **BASED UP TWO YEARS WORTH OF DATA?**

15 A34. No. It would seem that Mr. Rigsby example is a bit contrived.

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17 **Q35. AT PAGE 20, MR. RIGSBY CITES A BOOK BY COPELAND, KOLLER**
18 **AND MURRIN ("CKM") TO SUPPORT HIS CLAIM THAT A TRUE**
19 **MARKET RISK PREMIUM MAY LIE SOMEWHERE BETWEEN THE**
20 **ARITHMETIC AND GEOMETRIC ANNUAL AVERAGES. DOES IT?**

21 A35. No. At page 219, the authors state:

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23 The arithmetic average is the best estimate of future expected
24 returns because all possible paths are given equal weighting.
The simple geometric average return is 0 percent [in exhibit
10.6], but this is the historical return along a single path that

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26 ⁵⁵ *Id.* at 135, quoting Z. Brodie, A. Kane and A.J. Marcus, *Investments* (McGraw-Hill Irwin 6th
ed. 2005).

1 was realized by chance. Although the geometric return is the
2 correct measure of historical performance, it is not forward-
3 looking.

4 **Q36. AT PAGE 20, LINES 18-22, MR. RIGSBY ALSO CLAIMS THE CKM**
5 **BOOK SHOWS THAT YEAR-TO-YEAR RETURNS ARE NOT**
6 **INDEPENDENT, WHICH MEANS THAT THE ARITHMETIC AVERAGE**
7 **BASED ON AN AVERAGE OF ANNUAL RETURNS HAS LESS**
8 **CREDENCE. WHAT DOES CURRENT RESEARCH SHOW ON THIS**
9 **POINT?**

10 A36. Morningstar provides updated evidence on this point. Morningstar has determined
11 that the yearly difference between the stock market total return and the income
12 return on long-term Treasury securities in any particular year is random, i.e., there
13 is no serial correlation.⁵⁶ Therefore, the arithmetic average of those annual returns
14 provides the best estimate of the average of all "possible paths" of concern to
15 CKM. Also, if annual returns are independent of each other, it is appropriate to use
16 annual periods, rather than a longer period such as two years or three years, as is
17 suggested by Mr. Rigsby at page 21, to compute arithmetic averages.

18 **Q37. AT PAGE 20-21 OF HIS TESTIMONY, MR. RIGSBY ALSO DISCUSSES**
19 **OTHER POTENTIAL DATA PROBLEMS RAISED BY CKM AND**
20 **STATES THAT AFTER CKM CONSIDERED THOSE PROBLEMS, THEIR**
21 **ESTIMATE OF THE MRP WAS IN THE RANGE OF 4.0% TO 5.5%. IS**
22 **HE CORRECT?**

23 A37. No. Based on the data in CKM Exhibit 10.8, they determined that the MRP based
24 on arithmetic annual averages was 7.5%, which is consistent with Morningstar,
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26 ⁵⁶ Morningstar, *Ibbotson SBBI 2011 Valuation Yearbook* p55.

1 Morin and other reliable sources. They then arbitrarily substitute an average based
2 on two-year periods, 6.5%, and combine that average with a negative adjustment of
3 1.5% to 2.0% to account for their subjective view that U. S. stock markets will not
4 do as well during the next 100 years as they have in the past, to determine a MRP
5 range of 4.5% to 5.0%. Given the updated analysis in Morningstar, which shows
6 that annual market returns are random and are not influenced by returns in the prior
7 year, the correct MRP estimated by these authors is 7.5% if we do not apply their
8 subjective downward adjustment. Mr. Rigsby should have relied upon the 7.5%
9 MRP in his CAPM estimate.

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11 **Q38. ARE THERE OTHER PROBLEMS WITH MR. RIGSBY'S**
12 **CALCULATIONS AT PAGE 21?**

13 A38. Yes. He adds the risk premium range determined by CKM to a 5-year Treasury
14 bond rate, when the MRP range computed by CKM was based on differences
15 between returns for large company stocks and long-term government bonds. This
16 inconsistency must be corrected if data from CKM are used to make the CAPM
17 estimate. Without the correction, his choice of a 5-year Treasury bond rate biases
18 downward the equity cost range.

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20 **Q39. WHAT HAPPENS TO HIS CAPM EQUITY COST ESTIMATE AT PAGE**
21 **21, LINE 15 IF YOU MAKE THE TWO CORRECTIONS YOU HAVE**
22 **IDENTIFIED?**

23 A39. It increases the equity cost, which Mr. Rigsby determined to fall in a range of
24 6.36% to 7.86%⁵⁷, to 11.9%. The 11.9% is found by adding together a current
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26 ⁵⁷ Rigsby Sb. at 21.

1 long-term Treasury rate of 4.4% and the 7.5% MRP actually estimated by CKM.
2 Mr. Rigsby notes that since utilities are generally somewhat less risky than the
3 market as a whole and suggests his 9.0% cost of equity is too high.⁵⁸ If we
4 combine his beta of 0.75⁵⁹ to account for this lower utility risk, his revised CAPM
5 indicates the cost of equity for a typical water utility is 10.6%, found as

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$$\text{Equity cost} = 4.4\% + (0.75 \times 7.5\%) = 10.0\%$$

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9 **Q40. O YOU HAVE ANYTHING FURTHER TO ADD ON CKM?**

10 A40. Yes. I also reviewed the most current edition of the text, Tim Koller, Marc
11 Goedhart and David Wessels, *Valuation: Measuring and Managing the Value of*
12 *Companies* (John Wiley & Sons, Inc. 4th ed. 2005). This text does not support Mr.
13 Rigsby's argument. The authors state that for longer intervals (here, a period of 84
14 years) an arithmetic average should be used. They also state that "[t]o estimate the
15 mean (expectation) for any random variable, well-accepted statistical principles
16 dictate that the arithmetic average is the best unbiased estimator."⁶⁰ Mr. Rigsby
17 appears to be confusing the calculation of future cash flows beyond one period,
18 which may be biased upward or downward, with estimating the current cost of
19 equity. I also note that the authors recommend use of a 10-year Treasury as the
20 risk-free rate, while Mr. Rigsby uses a 5-year Treasury, resulting in a lower risk-
21 free rate and a lower cost of equity.

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24 ⁵⁸ *Id.*

25 ⁵⁹ See RUCO Surrebuttal Schedule WAR-7, page 1 of 2.

26 ⁶⁰ Koller, *et al.*, *supra*, at 299.

1 **Q41. MR. RIGSBY ALSO CITES THIS TEXT AS AUTHORITY FOR THE**
2 **EXISTENCE OF "SURVIVORSHIP BIAS."**

3 A41. The authors briefly discuss survivorship bias, which relates to the fact that over the
4 past 100 years, the U.S. stock market has outperformed markets in foreign
5 countries such as China, Russia and Poland. Since the purpose here is to estimate
6 the cost of equity for GWC by using a proxy group of publicly traded water
7 utilities in the United States, which are treated as being comparable in terms of
8 investment risk, it would be improper to reduce the historic risk premium, which is
9 based on differences between the S&P 500 and U.S. Treasury bond income returns
10 over the past 84 years, to account for a higher incidence of business failures in
11 foreign countries.

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13 **Q42. ON PAGE 22 OF HIS TESTIMONY, MR. RIGSBY SUGGESTS THAT YOU**
14 **WERE INCORRECT IN YOUR CRITICISM OF HIS USE OF TOTAL**
15 **RETURNS ON BONDS TO COMPUTE HIS MARKET RISK PREMIUM.**
16 **PLEASE COMMENT.**

17 A42. As I testified, if the total return on a Treasury security is used, additional risk from
18 capital loss or gain is injected into the CAPM estimate, which is inconsistent with
19 treating the Treasury security as a riskless asset.⁶¹ Thus, income returns rather than
20 total returns should be used in the estimation of the equity risk premium.⁶² Mr.
21 Rigsby admits that Treasury security income returns ignore the fluctuations in the
22 price of the bonds as a result of interest rate changes - which is exactly what is
23 required for treating the security as a riskless asset. I would note that, in the instant
24 case, Staff does not use a MRP based upon total returns in its CAPM estimates,

25 ⁶¹ Bourassa Rb. at 40-41.

26 ⁶² Id. at 41.

1 presumably for the same reasons.⁶³

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3 **Q43. PLEASE RESPOND TO MR. RIGSBY'S TESTIMONY THAT ON THE USE**
4 **OF GEOMETRIC MEANS AND INCOME RETURNS ARE**
5 **APPROPRIATE BECAUSE THIS INFORMATION IS AVAILABLE**
6 **TO INVESTORS.**

7 A43. Rather than focusing on what method is conceptually correct⁶⁴, Mr. Rigsby
8 contends that if an investor has information available, such information should be
9 used to determine the Company's cost of equity even if its use is improper. For
10 example, that Value Line calculates both historic and prospective growth rates on a
11 geometric or compound growth rate basis. But the Value Line instructions do not
12 explain how Value Line's projections of future growth are actually determined, nor
13 would an investor know what type of average is being used. If the test is simply
14 whether investors have information available, and not whether its use is
15 conceptually correct, then the Commission's prior rejection of methods such as the
16 risk premium method and the comparable earnings method in past cases was
17 improper.⁶⁵ In Decision No. 68302 (Arizona Water Company), the Commission
18 stated that the risk premium methodology is based on a "comparable earnings"
19 method that "has long been discredited."⁶⁶ Even if true, however, an investor may
20 still rely on that method and, under the logic of Mr. Rigsby, the Commission
21 should have considered it.

22 Moreover, there are types of information and methods that the Commission

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24 ⁶³ See Direct Testimony of Juan C. Manrique ("Manrique Dt.") at 29. Staff uses historical market
risk premium calculated from Ibbotson Associates SBBI 2009 Yearbook data.

25 ⁶⁴ Bourassa Rb. at 40.

26 ⁶⁵ See Arizona Water Company Decision No. 68302 at 37-38.

⁶⁶ *Id.* at 37.

1 should also consider if it were to accept the arguments of Mr. Rigsby. For
2 example, Value Line reports projected returns on equity (2014 - 2016) for the water
3 utility group and the gas utility group used by Mr. Rigsby in his cost of capital
4 analysis have projected returns of 10.8 percent and 11.6 percent, respectively.

5 The project Value Line returns are shown below.

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7 RUCO Water Utility Sample Group

8	Stock		Value Line Projected
9	<u>Symbol</u>	<u>Company</u>	<u>Book Return</u> <u>on Equity</u> ⁶⁷
10	AWR	American States Water Co.	12.5
11	WTR	Aqua America	13.0
12	CWT	California Water Services Group	10.0
13	SJW	SJW Corp.	<u>7.5</u>
14		Average	10.8

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16 RUCO Gas Utility Sample Group

17	Stock		Value Line Projected
18	<u>Symbol</u>	<u>Company</u>	<u>Book Return</u> <u>on Equity</u> ⁶⁸
19	AGL	AGL Resources, Inc.	12.5
20	ATO	Atmos Energy Corp.	9.0
21	LG	Laclede Group, Inc.	10.0
22	NJR	New Jersey Resources Corp.	13.5
23	NWN	Northwest Natural Gas	10.0
24	PNY	Piedmont Natural Gas Company	12.5
25	SJI	South Jersey Industry	17.5

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⁶⁷ Value Line Investment Survey April 22, 2011.

⁶⁸ *Id.*

1	SWX	Southwest Gas Corp.	9.0
2	WGL	WGL Holdings, Inc.	<u>10.0</u>
3		Average	11.6

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Value Line's forecasts are widely available and would be considered by investors in evaluating an investment in those utilities. In fact, Mr. Rigsby specifically selected the four water utilities for his proxy group for GWC because Value Line provides long-term estimates of those utilities' return on common equity.⁶⁹ Therefore, if the principal criterion for deciding whether to consider a particular equity cost estimate is its availability to investors, the Commission should use Value Line's projected average return of 10.8 percent to estimate GWC's cost of equity.

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Similarly, the market-to-book ("M/B") ratios of the sample water utilities are widely available to the investment community, along with the book values of those utilities' stocks. Some authorities believe that it is improper to use a market-based equity return derived by means of the DCF model with an original cost (i.e., net book value) rate base when a utility's stock is trading above book value.⁷⁰ Instead, when an original cost rate base is used, the book value of the sample water utilities' stocks should be used to calculate the dividend yield to ensure methodological consistency.⁷¹ The average M/B ratio of the sample water utilities used by Mr. Rigsby is 1.9⁷², i.e., the average market price of those utilities' stocks

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⁶⁹ See Direct Testimony of William A Rigsby ("Rigsby Dt.") at 20.

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⁷⁰ See, e.g., Win Whittaker, *The Discounted Cash Flow Methodology: Its Use in Estimating a Utility's Cost of Equity*, 12 Energy L.J. 265 (1991).

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⁷¹ *Id.* at 281-83 (citing *Farmers Union Cent. Exch., Inc. v. FERC*, 734 F.2d 1486 (D.C.Cir. 1984)).

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⁷² See RUCO Surrebuttal Schedule WAR-4, page 2 of 2.

1 is nearly two times their book value. That means that the dividend yield
2 calculations made by the parties are understated by over 45 percent. Thus, instead
3 of being in 2.78 percent to 3.35 percent range for the sample water utility group,
4 the dividend yield should be 240 to 290 basis points higher, and the parties' DCF
5 model estimates should likewise be 240 to 290 basis points higher.

6 The bottom line is that investors may well use data from investment sources
7 such as Value Line and Ibbotson incorrectly, as RUCO contends, or erroneously
8 assume that Value Line's projected earnings and growth rates are based on
9 geometric averages. Investors undoubtedly use (and misuse) a variety of
10 information in deciding whether to invest in securities. But that does not mean the
11 Commission should make the same mistakes in determining the cost of capital for
12 water utilities. For the reasons stated, there is no conceptual basis for using
13 geometric averages to estimate expected returns on equity. Therefore, the cost of
14 equity estimates of Mr. Rigsby should be rejected.

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16 **Q44. DOES THE FACT THAT UTILITY RATES ARE NOT SET EVERY**
17 **THIRTY YEARS HAVE ANYTHING TO DO WITH THE PROPER**
18 **CHOICE OF THE LENGTH OF THE TREASURY THAT SHOULD BE**
19 **USED IN THE CAPM AS SUGGESTED BY MR. RISGBY ON PAGE 22 OF**
20 **HIS TESTIMONY?**

21 A44. No. This is nonsense. As I explained in my rebuttal testimony, the expected stock
22 return is based upon long-term cash flows, regardless of an individual's holding
23 period.⁷³ Moreover, short term rates are volatile, fluctuate widely, and are subject
24 to more random disturbances leading to volatile and unreliable equity returns.⁷⁴

25 ⁷³ Bourassa Rb. at 42.

26 ⁷⁴ *Id.* at 39.

1 **Q45. DOES THE ARGUMENT THAT THE ECONOMY IS IMPROVING MAKE**
2 **THE USE OF A CURRENT MARKET RISK PREMIUM PASSE?**

3 A45. Again, no. I find it odd that Mr. Rigsby now seeks to dismiss any consideration of
4 the current economic conditions.⁷⁵ After all, he acknowledges the importance of
5 considering current economic conditions.⁷⁶ As I have testified, changes in the
6 current market risk premium have been a significant factor in the cost of equity
7 authorized by the Commission in the past.⁷⁷ And, the current market risk premium
8 has had impact on the cost of equity in both directions over the years.⁷⁸ My current
9 market equity risk premium of 10.9% in the instant case is lower than current
10 market risk premiums employed by Staff and relied upon when adopting Staff cost
11 of equity in the past.⁷⁹ Further, while economic conditions have improved since
12 the start of the recession in 2008, unemployment remains high and the economic
13 outlook is still uncertain. Value Line recently commented that “there is no shortage
14 of unresolved issues as the second half begins – including the unresolved budget
15 talks. However, the key issues remain the domestic economy and, by extension
16 earnings”.⁸⁰

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18 **Q46. ON PAGE 15 AND 16, MR. RIGSBY STATES HIS RECOLLECTION OF**
19 **COMMENTS MADE BY PROFESSOR DAMODARAN AND PROFESSOR**
20 **MARSTON AT A 2007 CONFERENCE HE SAYS HE ATTENDED. DO**
21 **STUDIES MADE BY THOSE PROFESSORS LEAD YOU TO QUESTION**

22 ⁷⁵ Rigsby Sb. at 23.

23 ⁷⁶ Id. at 35.

24 ⁷⁷ Bourassa Rb. at 43-45.

25 ⁷⁸ Id,

26 ⁷⁹ Id. at 44.

⁸⁰ See Value Line *Selection and Opinion*, July 8, 2011.

1 **WHETHER THEY WOULD ENDORSE A RANGE OF MRPS OF 4.0% TO**
2 **5.5% IN 2010?**

3 A46. Yes. I was not at the 2007 conference and do not know what was actually said and
4 in what context. I am also not aware of the studies upon which the panelists
5 relied. I am aware of a 2009 estimate of the current MRP estimated by Professor
6 Damodaran and I am also aware of a paper written by Dr. Marston which suggests
7 these two would not say the current MRP falls in a range of 4.0% to 5.0%. First,
8 with respect to Professor Damodaran, I am aware that his current estimate of the
9 MRP is 6.43%. Work papers supporting that estimate were provided by
10 Department of Ratepayer Advocates witness Professor J.R. Woolridge in
11 California PUC Application 09-05-001, et al., which went to hearing in August
12 2009. I was a witness in that case for Valencia Water (Application 09-05-002) and
13 reviewed the work papers supporting the Damodaran estimate. It is possible that
14 Professor Damodaran presented a lower MRP estimate in 2007.

15 Second, with respect to Professor Marston, I am aware of a paper, "Ex Ante
16 Cost of Equity Estimates of S&P 500 Firms: The Choice between Global and
17 Domestic CAPM, published in Financial Management (Autumn 2003), co-authored
18 with Robert Harris, Dev Mishra and Thomas O'Brien, Professor Marston estimated
19 the MRP to be 7.3% based on data for a 16 year period ending in 1998. Given her
20 past published study, I am puzzled she would state that the MRP has dropped to
21 less than 5.5% at a conference. As with Professor Damoradan, it is possible that
22 Professor Martson presented a lower estimate in 2007, but I am not sure on what
23 basis Professor Martson would have based her opinion.

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25 **Q47. WERE CURRENT MARKET RISK PREMIUMS LOWER DURING THIS**
26 **TIME PERIOD?**

1 A47. As I discussed in my rebuttal testimony, during the Black Mountain Company rate
2 case in 2006, Staff computed a current MRP of 5.7%, which was much lower than
3 earlier estimates which over 13%.⁸¹ The 5.7% is near the range allegedly offered
4 by the panelists mentioned by Mr. Rigsby.

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6 **Q48. HAVE YOU REVIEWED DR. DAMODARAN'S UPDATED PAPER**
7 **TITLED "EQUITY RISK PREMIUM (ERP): DETERMINANTS,**
8 **ESTIMATION, AND IMPLICATIONS" CITED BY MR. RIGSBY ON**
9 **PAGE 26 OF HIS SURREBUTTAL TESTIMONY? PLEASE COMMENT.**

10 A48. Yes. Appendix 1 of Dr. Damodaran's February 2011 update shows a market risk
11 premium (arithmetic mean) from 1926 to 2010 of 6.03% which is consistent with
12 Morningstar and much higher than Mr. Rigsby's cited range of 4.5% to 5%. The
13 6.03% estimate is also based the market risk premium of stock over long-term
14 government bonds not 5-year U.S. Treasury bonds as Mr. Rigsby uses.

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16 **Q49. DO YOU HAVE ANY RESPONSE TO THE CAPM CALCULATIONS**
17 **PRESENTED AT PAGE 25 BY MR. RIGSBY?**

18 A49. Yes. These calculations are simply mechanical applications of the simple version
19 of the CAPM. They rely on the wrong interest rate concept and MRPs attributed to
20 someone who is not a witness in this case. There is no reason to believe the 4% or
21 the 5% MRPs are reasonable at this time. Notwithstanding the fact that there is no
22 support for either of these calculations, there are serious problems with Mr.
23 Rigsby's claim that equity cost estimates of 5.08% and 5.83% are reasonable when
24 the cost of Baa bonds is 5.9%⁸². A reasonable estimate of the cost of equity must

25 ⁸¹ Bourassa Rb. at 45.

26 ⁸² Federal Reserve Website July 11, 2011.

1 be higher than the cost of Baa bonds.

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3 **Q50. BUT MR. RIGSBY IS RECOMMENDING A 9.0% RETURN ON EQUITY.**
4 **DOESN'T THAT RESOLVE THE MATTER REGARDING MR. RIGSBY'S**
5 **LOW CAPM RESULTS?**

6 A50. No. Despite Mr. Rigsby's story line that he is recommending a 9.0 return that is
7 322 to 367 basis points above the current cost of Baa/BBB-rated and A-rated
8 bonds⁸³, the 9.0% return on equity, like Mr. Rigsby's hypothetical cost of debt of
9 6.13% cost of debt and hypothetical capital structure, is pure fiction. In reality,
10 Mr. Rigsby transfers over 20% of GWC's equity to debt, provides a low 6.13%
11 return on that equity, and ultimately provides for a mere 6.6% return on the actual
12 invested equity capital in RUCO's proposed rate base for GWC.⁸⁴ The 6.6% is 240
13 basis points lower than his fictional 9.0% and over 100 basis points lower than the
14 average of Mr. Rigsby's DCF and CAPM results of 7.54%. Further, M⁸⁵r. Rigsby
15 leave the door open so to speak on this lower cost of equity estimate.

16 **C. Responses to the Surrebuttal Testimony of Mr. Schoemperlen.**

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18 **Q51. DO YOU HAVE ANY COMMENTS ON MR. SCHOEMPERLEN'S**
19 **PROJECTIONS OF RETURNS AND HIS CONCLUSIONS?**

20 A51. Mr. Schoemperlen's projections are flawed for several reasons. Among these
21 reasons are:

- 22 1. The rate bases are understated because he double counts the tank
23 over-sizing costs.⁸⁶

24 ⁸³ Rigsby Sb. at 27.

25 ⁸⁴ Bourassa Rb. at 9-10, 50.

26 ⁸⁵ Rigsby Sb. at 10.

⁸⁶ See Rejoinder Testimony of Thomas J. Bourassa – Rate Base, Income Statement, and Rate

- 1 2. The revenues are overstated because he does not use half-year
2 convention on revenue growth.
- 3 3. The rate of rate base growth is vastly understated because he assumes
4 a total system capacity of 1,291 when the tank over-sizing capacity
5 costs have already been removed. 330 EDU's (customers) should be
6 deducted from the 1,291 EDU's (customers) as a result of the
7 removal of the tank over-sizing costs.
- 8 4. The rate of growth in the rate bases base also appears to exclude any
9 reserve margin in each year.
- 10 5. The rate bases are additionally understated because the analysis does
11 not reflect the real world engineering analysis that shows that even
12 under Mr. Schoemperlen's assumptions about the reserve maring
13 requirements, the storage tank at water plant #3 is 92.7% used and
14 useful and not 24.5 percent used and useful.⁸⁷
- 15 6. The analysis ignores the fact that GWC has committed capital which
16 is not being recognized. There is an significant disparity between the
17 rate bases and the actual total committed capital I GWC. All of the
18 capital in a company must be supported.⁸⁸

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20 **Q52. DOES THAT CONCLUDE YOUR REJOINDER TESTIMONY ON COST**
21 **OF CAPITAL?**

22 A52. Yes. Although my silence on any issue not discussed herein does not necessarily
23 constitute agreement with Staff, RUCO, or Mr. Schoemperlen.

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Design ("Bourassa Rj. RB.") at 33.

25 ⁸⁷ Bourassa Rj. RB at 34.

26 ⁸⁸ Bourassa Rb. at 56.

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RE: Rates of Return and Rates of Margin for Class C and Class D Water Utilities

TO: COMMISSION

By this memorandum, the Division of Water and Audits (DWA) updates its recommended Rates of Return and Rates of Margin for Class C and D water utilities.¹ These updates have been calculated in accordance with Resolution W-4524, which revised the Standard Practice that addresses how the rate of return and rate of margin are calculated for Class C and D water utilities.

DWA considered a number of factors in determining the rates of return. DWA assessed the movement in actual and forecasted interest rates over the last year's (lower actual rates that are forecast to recover to near recent historical). In addition, DWA took into account the high operational risks faced by Class C and Class D water utilities and the constant level of authorized rates of return for Class A water utilities in 2010 over 2009 (average of 8.94% and 8.51%, respectively).

In determining the rates of margin for Class C and D water utilities, DWA considered the Class B water utilities most recent authorized average rates of return of 10.36%, their most recent authorized equivalent average rate of margin of 20.63%, and the recommended rates of return for Class C and D water utilities, as calculated.

For 2011, DWA recommends that the following rates of return and rates of margin be used for Class C and Class D water utilities informal general rate cases (supporting documentation is attached):

	Rates of Return (ROR)	Rates of Margin
Class C	11.25% to 12.25%	23.40%
Class D	12.00% to 13.00%	24.89%

If you have any questions regarding the Rates of Return or Rates of Margin recommendations, please contact Raymond Yin of the Division of Water and Audits at (415) 703-1818, or ryy@cpuc.ca.gov.

Sincerely,

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Rami Kahlon, Director
Division of Water and Audits

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Utility Audit, Finance, & Compliance Branch

Attachment

¹ As required by D.92-03-093, in Phase I of I.90-11-033 (Water Risk OII).

CALCULATION OF CLASS C & D WATER COMPANY² RATES OF RETURN (ROR) & RATES OF MARGIN (ROM)³

- Rates are calculated using both return-on-ratebase and rate of margin methods.
- The method that produces the higher result is used.
- ROR is set at a level above or below the recommended ranges, if warranted.
- Where little or no rate base exists, the ROM is used.
- The ROM is applied to Operating Expenses to determine the estimated dollar return, which is then compared with the average dollar ROR on rate base.
- Calculations are based on the assumption that there is a comparable relationship between authorized Class B ROR and ROM and Class C and D ROR and ROM.
- Class C and D water operations, finances, and risks are more similar to those of the Class B water companies, than with Class A water utilities.

Data Used in Determining the Rates of Return and Rates of Margin for Class C and Class D Water Utilities

Year	Recommended ROR Range		Actual Interest Rates from the Federal Reserve			
			U.S. Treasuries			
	Class C Water	Class D Water	90-Day	1-Year	5-Year	30-Year
2009	12.00% - 13.00%	12.75% - 13.75%	0.15%	0.47%	2.20%	4.08%
2010	11.25% - 12.25%	12.00% - 13.00%	0.14%	0.32%	1.93%	4.25%
2011 (As of 02/2011)			0.15%	0.27%	1.99%	4.52%
			Forecast Interest Rates from IHS Global Insight			
Forecast for 2012 (As of 02/2011)			1.47%	1.72%	2.73%	4.68%

Calculation of Rate of Margin ("ROM")	Inputs	ROM	
		Class C	Class D
Average Class B Rate of Margin ("ROM")	20.63%		
Average Class B Rate of Return ("ROR")	10.36%		
Average Class C ROR	11.75%		
Average Class D ROR	12.50%		
Average Class C ROM = Average Class B ROM * (Average Class C ROR/Average Class B ROR)		23.40%	
Average Class D ROM = Average Class B ROM * (Average Class D ROR/Average Class B ROR)			24.89%

² Class C water utilities have 501 to 2,000 customers; Class D water utilities have 500 or less customers.

³ Pursuant to D.92-03-093, Ordering Paragraph 8 and Resolution W-4524.

**Goodman Water Company
Docket No. W-02500A-10-0382**

**THOMAS J. BOURASSA
REBUTTAL TESTIMONY
(COST OF CAPITAL)**

July 12, 2011

SCHEDULES

Goodman Water Company
Test Year Ended December 31, 2009
Summary of Cost of Capital

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Rejoinder Schedule D-1
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Witness: Bourassa

		<u>End of Test Year</u>			<u>End of Projected Year</u>		
		Dollar Amount	Percent of Total	(e) Cost Rate	Weighted Cost Rate	Dollar Amount	Percent of Total
Long-Term Debt		507,451	18.27%	8.50%	1.55%	495,102	16.75%
Stockholder's Equity		2,269,765	81.73%	10.20%	8.34%	2,460,300	83.25%
Totals		2,777,216	100.00%		9.89%	2,955,403	100.00%
							8.49%
							9.92%

SUPPORTING SCHEDULES:

D-1
D-3
D-4

RECAP SCHEDULES:

Line
No. 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 27 28 29 30 31 32 33 34 35

Goodman Water Company
Test Year Ended December 31, 2009
Cost of Preferred Stock

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Line

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End of Test Year

End of Projected Year

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Description
of Issue

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SUPPORTING SCHEDULES:

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RECAP SCHEDULES:

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Goodman Water Company
Test Year Ended December 31, 2009
Cost of Common Equity

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The Company is proposing a cost of common equity of 10.20% .

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SUPPORTING SCHEDULES:

D-4.1 to D-4.16

RECAP SCHEDULES:

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Goodman Water Company
Summary of Results

Exhibit
Schedule D-4.1

Line No.	Method	Low	High	Midpoint
1				
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6	Range DCF Constant Growth Estimates ¹	8.7%	9.5%	9.1%
7				
8	Range of CAPM Estimates ²	10.2%	13.4%	11.8%
9				
10				
11	Average of DCF and CAPM midpoint estimates	9.4%	11.4%	10.4%
12				
13				
14	Financial Risk Adjustment ³	-0.7%	-0.7%	-0.7%
15				
16	Small Company Risk Premium ⁴	1.0%	1.0%	1.0%
17				
18	Indicated Cost of Equity	9.7%	11.7%	10.7%
19				
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21				
22	Recommended Cost of Equity			10.2%
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¹ See Schedule D-4-8

² See Schedule D-4.12

³ See Schedule D-4.16

⁴ See testimony.

Goodman Water Company
Selected Characteristics of Sample Group of Water Utilities

Exhibit
Schedule D-4.2

Line No.	Company ¹	% Water Revenues	Operating Revenues (millions)	Net Plant (millions)	S&P Bond Rating	Moody's Bond Rating	Allowed ROE
1	1. American States	73%	\$ 400.8	\$ 855.0	A+	A2	10.20
2	2. Aqua America	98%	\$ 726.1	\$ 3,469.3	AA-	NR	10.33
3	3. California Water	94%	\$ 460.4	\$ 1,270.2	AA-	NR	10.20
4	4. Connecticut Water	99%	\$ 68.1	\$ 344.2	A	NR	9.75
5	5. Middlesex	90%	\$ 102.7	\$ 398.7	A	NR	10.15
6	6. SJW Corp.	96%	\$ 215.6	\$ 692.4	A	NR	10.20
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10							
11	Average	92%	\$ 329.0	\$ 1,171.6			10.14
12							
13	Goodman Water Company	100%	\$ 0.6	\$ 4.7	NR	NR	
14	(as of December 31, 2009)						
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¹AUS Utility Reports (April 2011).

Goodman Water Company
Capital Structures

Exhibit
Schedule D-4.3

No.	Company	Book Value ¹		Market Value ¹	
		Long-Term Debt	Common Equity	Long-Term Debt	Common Equity
1	1. American States	45.5%	54.5%	32.0%	68.0%
2	2. Aqua America	56.6%	43.4%	33.7%	66.3%
3	3. California Water	52.4%	47.6%	38.5%	61.5%
4	4. Connecticut Water	49.6%	50.4%	33.7%	66.3%
5	5. Middlesex	43.5%	56.5%	31.7%	68.3%
6	6. SJW Corp.	53.6%	46.4%	40.9%	59.1%
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9					
10					
11	Average	50.2%	49.8%	35.1%	64.9%
12					
13	Goodman Water Company ²	18.3%	81.7%	N/A	N/A
14	(Adjusted as of December 31, 2009)				
15					
16					

¹ Value Line Analyzer Data (April 21, 2011)

² Adjusted Per Schedule D-1

Goodman Water Company
Comparisons of Past and Future Estimates of Growth

Line No.	[1]	[2]	[3]	[4]	[5]	[6]	[7]
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Five-year historical average annual changes

Company	Price ¹	Value ²	EPS ²	DPS ²	Average Col 1-4	Average Future Growth ³	Average of Future and Historical Growth Col 5-6
1. American States	4.19%	5.00%	8.50%	2.50%	5.05%	7.00%	6.02%
2. Aqua America	NMF	7.00%	4.50%	8.00%	6.50%	7.44%	6.97%
3. California Water	1.41%	5.50%	6.50%	1.00%	3.60%	5.25%	4.43%
4. Connecticut Water	5.97%	3.00%	1.50%	1.50%	2.99%	3.50%	3.25%
5. Middlesex	4.69%	5.50%	4.50%	1.50%	4.05%	3.00%	3.52%
6. SJW Corp.	1.57%	6.50%	NM	5.50%	4.52%	9.67%	7.09%
GROUP AVERAGE	3.56%	5.42%	5.10%	3.33%	4.45%	5.98%	5.21%
GROUP MEDIAN	4.19%	5.50%	4.50%	2.00%	4.28%	6.13%	5.22%

¹ Average of changes in annual stock prices ending on December 31 through 2010. Data from Yahoo Finance website.

² Value Line Analyzer Data, April 21, 2011

³ See Schedule D-4.6.

Goodman Water Company
Comparisons of Past and Future Estimates of Growth

Exhibit
Schedule D-4.5

Line No.	[1]	[2]	[3]	[4]	[5]	[6]	[7]
	<u>Ten-year historical average annual changes</u>						
	<u>Company</u>	<u>Price¹</u>	<u>Book Value²</u>	<u>EPS²</u>	<u>DPS²</u>	<u>Average Col 1-4</u>	<u>Average Future Growth³</u>
1	1. American States	5.75%	4.50%	4.00%	1.50%	3.94%	5.47%
2	2. Aqua America	6.93%	9.00%	6.50%	7.50%	7.48%	7.46%
3	3. California Water	5.91%	4.50%	3.00%	1.00%	3.60%	4.43%
4	4. Connecticut Water	5.69%	4.00%	1.00%	1.50%	3.05%	3.27%
5	5. Middlesex	4.50%	4.50%	2.50%	2.00%	3.37%	3.19%
6	6. SJW Corp.	4.37%	6.00%	2.00%	5.00%	4.34%	7.01%
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15	GROUP AVERAGE	5.52%	5.42%	3.17%	3.08%	4.30%	5.14%
16	GROUP MEDIAN	5.72%	4.50%	2.75%	1.75%	3.77%	4.95%
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¹ Average of changes in annual stock prices ending December 31, 2010. Data from Yahoo Finance website.

² Value Line Analyzer Data, April 21, 2011

³ See Rejoinder Schedule D-4.6.

Goodman Water Company
Analysts Forecasts of Earnings Per Share Growth

Exhibit
Schedule D-4.6

Line No.	[1]	[2]	[3]	[4]	[5]
	ESTIMATES OF EARNINGS GROWTH				
	<u>Company</u>	<u>Zacks</u> ¹	<u>Morningstar</u> ¹	<u>Yahoo</u> ¹	<u>Value Line</u> ¹
1	1. American States	11.00%	4.00%	6.00%	7.00%
2	2. Aqua America	6.50%	7.50%	6.75%	9.00%
3	3. California Water		4.00%	8.25%	3.50%
4	4. Connecticut Water	4.00%	3.00%	3.00%	4.00%
5	5. Middlesex	3.00%	3.00%	3.00%	3.00%
6	6. SJW Corp.		9.00%	14.00%	6.00%
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15	GROUP AVERAGE	6.13%	5.08%	6.83%	5.42%
16	GROUP MEDIAN				
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¹ Data as of April 21, 2011

² Where no data available or single estimate, average of other utilities assumed to estimate for utility.

Exhibit
Schedule D-4.7

Goodman Water Company
Current Dividend Yields for Water Utility Sample Group

Line No.	Company	Current Stock Price (P_0) ¹	Current Dividend (D_0) ¹	Current Dividend Yield (D_0/P_0) ¹	Average Annual Dividend Yield (D_0/P_0) ^{1,2}
1	1. American States	\$ 34.39	\$ 1.08	3.14%	2.94%
2	2. Aqua America	\$ 21.82	\$ 0.63	2.89%	3.09%
3	3. California Water	\$ 36.73	\$ 1.23	3.35%	3.07%
4	4. Connecticut Water	\$ 25.27	\$ 0.94	3.70%	4.11%
5	5. Middlesex	\$ 18.50	\$ 0.73	3.95%	4.71%
6	6. SJW Corp.	\$ 22.96	\$ 0.69	3.01%	2.84%
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10					
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12					
13	Average			3.34%	3.46%
14	Median			3.24%	3.08%

¹ Value Line Analyzer Data. Stock prices as of April 21, 2011.

² Average Annual Dividend is dividends declared per share for a year divided by the average annual price of the stock in the same year, expressed as a percentage. For comparison purposes only.

Goodman Water Company
Discounted Cash Flow Analysis
DCF Constant Growth

Exhibit
Schedule D-4.8

Line No.	[1] Average Spot Dividend Yield (D_0/P_0) ¹	[2] Expected Dividend Yield (D_1/P_0) ²	[3] Growth (g)	[4] Indicated Cost of Equity k=Div Yld + g (Cols 2+3)
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7				
8	DCF - Past and Future Growth	3.34%	5.21% ³	8.7%
9				
10	DCF - Future Growth	3.34%	5.98% ⁴	9.5%
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12				
13	Average	3.34%	5.59%	9.1%
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17				
18				

¹ Spot Dividend Yield = D_0/P_0 . See Schedule D-4.7.

² Expected Dividend Yield = $D_1/P_0 = D_0/P_0 * (1+g)$.

³ Growth rate (g). Average of Past and Future Growth. See Schedule D-4.4, column 7

⁴ Growth rate (g). Average of Analyst Estimates Future Growth. See Schedule D-4.6.

Line No. 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 27 28

Goodman Water Company
Market Betas

Exhibit
Schedule D-4.9

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No. 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20

Company	Beta (β) ¹
1. American States	0.75
2. Aqua America	0.65
3. California Water	0.70
4. Connecticut Water	0.80
5. Middlesex	0.75
6. SJW Corp.	0.90
Average	0.76

¹ Value Line Investment Analyzer data (April 21, 2011)

Note: Beta is a relative measure of the historical sensitivity of a stock's price to overall fluctuations in the New York Stock Exchange Composite Index. A Beta of 1.50 indicates a stock tends to rise (or fall) 50% more than the New York Stock Exchange Composite Index. The "Beta coefficient" is derived from a regression analysis of the relationship between weekly percent-age changes in the price of a stock and weekly percentage changes in the NYSE Index over a period of five years. In the case of shorter price histories, a smaller time period is used, but two years is the minimum. The Betas are adjusted for their long-term tendency to converge toward 1.00.

Goodman Water Company
Forecasts of Long-Term Interest Rates
2011-2012

Exhibit
Schedule D-4.10

Line No.	Description	<u>2012</u>	<u>2013</u>	<u>Average</u>
1				
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5				
6	Blue Chip Consensus Forecasts ¹	4.9%	5.2%	5.1%
7				
8	Value Line ²	4.9%	5.2%	5.1%
9				
10	Average			5.1%
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¹ Dec 2010 Blue Chip Financial Forecasts consensus forecast of 30 Year U.S. Treasury

² Value Line Quarterly forecast, dated February 25, 2011, Long-term Treasury

Goodman Water Company
Computation of Current Market Risk Premium

Exhibit
Schedule D-4.11

Line No.	Month	Dividend Yield (D_0/P_0) ¹	Expected Dividend Yield (D_1/P_0) ²	+ Growth (g) ³	= Expected Market Return (k)	- Monthly Average 30 Year Treasury Rate ⁴	= Market Risk Premium (MRP)
1							
2							
3							
4	Dec 2009	2.56%	2.88%	+ 12.58%	= 15.46%	= 4.35%	= 11.11%
5	Jan 2010	2.64%	3.00%	+ 13.71%	= 16.71%	= 4.48%	= 12.23%
6	Feb	2.59%	2.97%	+ 14.65%	= 17.62%	= 4.48%	= 13.14%
7	Mar	2.44%	2.75%	+ 12.69%	= 15.44%	= 4.48%	= 10.96%
8	April	2.36%	2.63%	+ 11.61%	= 14.24%	= 4.69%	= 9.55%
9	May	2.61%	3.00%	+ 14.80%	= 17.80%	= 4.29%	= 13.51%
10	June	2.79%	3.30%	+ 18.20%	= 21.50%	= 4.13%	= 17.37%
11	July	2.61%	3.03%	+ 15.95%	= 18.98%	= 3.99%	= 14.99%
12	Aug	2.65%	3.10%	+ 16.83%	= 19.93%	= 3.80%	= 16.13%
13	Sept	2.55%	2.93%	+ 15.01%	= 17.94%	= 3.77%	= 14.17%
14	Oct	2.49%	2.85%	+ 14.31%	= 17.16%	= 3.87%	= 13.29%
15	Nov	2.43%	2.74%	+ 12.89%	= 15.63%	= 4.19%	= 11.44%
16	Dec 2010	2.37%	2.65%	+ 11.61%	= 14.26%	= 4.42%	= 9.84%
17	Jan 2011	2.34%	2.60%	+ 11.10%	= 13.70%	= 4.52%	= 9.18%
18	Feb	2.41%	2.73%	+ 13.16%	= 15.89%	= 4.65%	= 11.24%
19	Mar	2.35%	2.64%	+ 12.33%	= 14.97%	= 4.51%	= 10.46%
20							
21	Recommended	2.37%	2.66%	+ 12.20%	= 14.85%	= 4.56%	= 10.91%
22							
23	Short-term Trends						
24	Recent Twelve Months Avg	2.50%	2.85%	+ 13.98%	= 16.83%	= 4.24%	= 12.60%
25	Recent Nine Months Avg	2.47%	2.81%	+ 13.69%	= 16.49%	= 4.19%	= 12.30%
26	Recent Six Months Avg	2.40%	2.70%	+ 12.57%	= 15.27%	= 4.36%	= 10.91%
27	Recent Three Months Avg	2.37%	2.66%	+ 12.20%	= 14.85%	= 4.56%	= 10.29%
28							
29							

¹ Average Current Dividend Yield (D_0/P_0) of dividend paying stocks. Data from Value Line Investment Analyzer Software Data - Value Line 1700 Stocks

² Expected Dividend Yield (D_1/P_0) equals average current dividend yield (D_0/P_0) times one plus growth rate(g).

³ Average 3-5 year price appreciation (annualized). Data from Value Line Investment Analyzer Software Data - Value Line 1700 Stocks

⁴ Monthly average 30 year U.S. Treasury. Federal Reserve.

**Goodman Water Company
Capital Asset Pricing Model (CAPM)**

**Exhibit
Schedule D-4.12**

Line No.	Rf ¹	+	beta ³	x	Rp	=	k
1							
2							
3	5.1%	+	0.76	x	6.7%	=	10.2%
4							
5	5.1%	+	0.76	x	10.9%	=	13.4%
6							
7							11.8%
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¹ Forecasts of long-term treasury yields. See Schedule D-4.10.

² Value Line Investment Analyzer data. See Schedule D-4.9.

³ Historical Market Risk Premium from (Rp) MorningStar S&P 500 2011 Valuation Yearbook Table A-1 Long-Horizon ERP 1926-2010

⁴ Computed using DCF constant growth method to determine current market return on Value Line 1700 stocks and CAPM with beta of 1.0 to compute Current Market Risk Premium (Rp). See Schedule D-4.11.

Goodman Water Company
Financial Risk Computation

Exhibit
Schedule D-4.13

Line No.		<u>R_f</u>	+	<u>β</u>	x	<u>(R_p)</u>	=	<u>k</u>
1	<u>CAPM</u>							
2	Historical Market Risk Premium	5.1%	1	0.76	2	6.7%	3	10.2%
3	Current Market Risk Premium	5.1%	1	0.76	2	10.9%	4	13.4%
4								
5								
6	Average							11.8%
7								
8								
9	<u>CAPM Relevered Beta</u>							
10	Historical Market Risk Premium	5.1%	1	0.68	5	6.7%	3	9.7%
11	Current Market Risk Premium	5.1%	1	0.68	5	10.9%	4	12.5%
12								
13								
14	Average							11.1%
15								
16	Financial Risk Adjustment							<u>-0.7%</u>
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¹ Forecast of long-term treasury yields. See Schedule D-4.10

² Value Line Investment Analyzer data. See Schedule D-4.9

³ Historical Market Risk Premium from (Rp) MorningStar S&P 500 2011 Valuation Yearbook Table A-1 Long-Horizon ERP 1926-2010

⁴ Computed using DCF constant growth method to determine current market return on Value Line 1700 stocks

and CAPM with beta of 1.0 to compute Current Market Risk Premium (Rp). See Schedule D-4.11

⁵ Relevered beta found on Schedule D-4.15

Goodman Water Company
Financial Risk Computation
Unlevered Beta

Exhibit
Schedule D-4.14

Line No.	Company	VL Beta β_L^1	Raw Beta β_U^2	Tax Rate t^3	MV Debt D^4	MV Equity E^4	Unlevered Raw Beta β_{UL}^5
1	American States	0.75	0.63	41.0%	32.0%	68.0%	0.49
2	Aqua America	0.65	0.48	39.2%	33.7%	66.3%	0.37
3	California Water	0.70	0.55	39.5%	38.5%	61.5%	0.40
4	Connecticut Water	0.80	0.70	51.2%	33.7%	66.3%	0.56
5	Middlesex	0.75	0.63	32.1%	31.7%	68.3%	0.48
6	SJW Corp.	0.90	0.85	26.9%	40.9%	59.1%	0.56
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13	Sample Water Utilities:	0.76	0.64	38.3%	35.1%	64.9%	0.48
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¹ Value Line Investment Analyzer data. See Schedule D-4.13

Value Line uses the historical data of the stock, but assumes that a security's beta moves toward the market average over time. The formula is as follows:

Adjusted beta = $.33 + (.67) * \text{Raw beta}$

² Raw Beta = $(VL \text{ beta} - .33)/(.67)$

³ Effective tax rates for year ended December 31, 2010.

⁴ See Schedule D-4.3

⁵ Raw $B_U = \text{Raw } B_L / (1 + (1-t)*D/E)$

Goodman Water Company
Financial Risk Computation
Relevered Beta

Exhibit
Schedule D-4.15

Line No.	Unlevered Raw Beta β_{UL}^1	MV Book Debt $\frac{BD^2}{EC^2}$	MV Equity Capital $\frac{EC^2}{EC^2}$	Tax Rate t^3	Relevered Raw Beta $\beta_{RL} = \beta_U (1 + (1-t)BD/EC)$	Adjusted Relevered Beta β_{RL}
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5	0.48	10.6%	89.4%	37.81%	0.52	0.68
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¹ Unlevered Beta from Schedule D-4.14.

² Capital Structure of Company (Projected)

	BV (in Thousands)	MV (in Thousands)	MV %
Long-term Debt	\$ 507	\$ 507	10.60%
Preferred Stock	-	-	0.0%
Common Stock	\$ 2,270	\$ 4,298	89.4%
Total Capital	\$ 2,777	\$ 4,806	100.0%

(a) Current market-to-book ratio of sample water utilities. See work papers.

³ Current Tax rate based on test year ending 12/31/2009. See Schedule D-1.

Goodman Water Company
Size Premium¹

Exhibit
Schedule D-4.16

Line No.	Beta(β)	Size Premium	Risk Premium for Small Water Utilities ⁷
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4			
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6	1.13	1.00%	
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8	1.26	1.64%	
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10	1.51	3.00%	
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12	1.64	4.74%	2.37%
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Estimated Risk Premium for small water utilities⁶

0.99%

¹ Data from Table 7-11 of Morningstar, *Ibbotson S&P 2011 Valuation Yearbook*.

² Mid-Cap companies includes companies with market capitalization between \$1,779 million and \$6,794 million.

³ Low-Cap companies includes companies with market capitalization between \$478 million and \$1,776 million.

⁴ Micro-Cap companies includes companies with market capitalization less than \$477 million.

⁵ Decile 10 includes companies with market capitalization between \$1.2 million and \$235 million.

⁶ From Table 2, Thomas M. Zepp, "Utility Stocks and the Size Effect Revisited," *The Quarterly Review of Economics and Finance*, 43 (2003), 578-582.

⁷ Computed as the weighted differences between the Decile 10 risk premium and the indicated risk premiums for the sample water utilities as shown below. Excludes risk due to differences in beta.

Market Cap.	(Millions)	Class	Premium Size	Difference to Decile 10	Weight	Weighted Size Premium
1. American States	\$ 636	Low-Cap	1.76%	2.98%	0.1666667	0.50%
2. Aqua America	\$ 3,011	Mid-Cap	1.10%	3.64%	0.1666667	0.61%
3. California Water	\$ 764	Low-Cap	1.76%	2.98%	0.1666667	0.50%
4. Connecticut Water	\$ 220	Decile 10	4.78%	-0.04%	0.1666667	-0.01%
5. Middlesex	\$ 289	Micro-Cap	3.07%	1.87%	0.1666667	0.28%
6. SJW Corp.	\$ 427	Low-Cap	1.76%	2.98%	0.1666667	0.50%
Weighted Size Premium for Small Companies						2.37%

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9 IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION
10 OF GOODMAN WATER COMPANY, AN
11 ARIZONA CORPORATION, FOR (i) A
12 DETERMINATION OF THE FAIR VALUE
13 OF ITS UTILITY PLANT AND PROPERTY
14 AND (ii) AN INCREASE IN ITS WATER
15 RATES AND CHARGES FOR UTILITY
16 SERVICE BASED THEREON.

DOCKET NO. W-02500A-10-0382

17 **REJOINDER TESTIMONY OF**

18 **THOMAS J. BOURASSA**

19
20 **ON BEHALF OF GOODMAN WATER COMPANY**
21 **(RATE BASE, INCOME STATEMENT, RATE DESIGN)**
22

23 **July 12, 2011**
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1 **I. INTRODUCTION AND PURPOSE OF TESTIMONY.**

2 **Q1. PLEASE STATE YOUR NAME AND BUSINESS ADDRESS.**

3 A1. My name is Thomas J. Bourassa. My business address is 139 W. Wood Drive,
4 Phoenix, Arizona 85029.

5 **Q2. ON WHOSE BEHALF ARE YOU TESTIFYING IN THIS CASE?**

6 A2. On behalf of the applicant, Goodman Water Company ("GWC" or the
7 "Company").
8

9 **Q3. HAVE YOU PREVIOUSLY SUBMITTED DIRECT AND REBUTTAL**
10 **TESTIMONY IN THE INSTANT CASE?**

11 A3. Yes, my direct testimony was submitted in support of the initial application in this
12 docket. There were two volumes, one addressing rate base, income statement and
13 rate design, and the other addressing cost of capital. My rebuttal testimony was
14 also submitted in two separate volumes. Each of those testimonies included my
15 associated schedules.
16

17 **Q4. WHAT IS THE PURPOSE OF THIS REJOINDER TESTIMONY?**

18 A4. I will provide rejoinder testimony in response to the surrebuttal filing by Staff,
19 RUCO and the intervenors Mr. Wawrzyniak and Mr. Schoemperlen. More
20 specifically, this first volume of my rejoinder testimony relates to rate base, income
21 statement and rate design for GWC. In a second, separate volume of my
22 testimony, I also provide rejoinder responses to the surrebuttal testimony by Staff,
23 RUCO and Mr. Schoemperlen on the cost of capital and rate of return applied to
24 the fair value rate base, and the determination of operating income.
25
26

1 **II. SUMMARY OF GWC'S REJOINDER POSITION**

2 **Q5. WHAT IS THE REVENUE INCREASE THAT THE COMPANY IS**
3 **PROPOSING IN THIS REJOINDER TESTIMONY?**

4 A5. The Company is proposing a total revenue requirement of \$855,107 which
5 constitutes an increase in revenues of \$260,648 or 43.85% over adjusted test year
6 revenues.

7
8 **Q6. HOW DOES THIS COMPARE WITH THE COMPANY'S REBUTTAL**
9 **FILING?**

10 A6. In the rebuttal filing, the Company requested a total revenue requirement of
11 \$857,176, which required an increase in revenues of \$262,717, or 44.19%

12
13 **Q7. WHAT ARE THE PROPOSED REVENUE REQUIREMENTS AND RATE**
14 **INCREASES FOR THE COMPANY, STAFF, RUCO, AND INTERVENERS**
15 **AT THIS STAGE OF THE PROCEEDING?**

16 A7. The proposed revenue requirements and proposed rate increases are as follows:

	<u>Revenue Requirement</u>	<u>Revenue Incr.</u>	<u>% Increase</u>
17			
18	Company Rebuttal \$ 857,176	\$ 262,717	44.19%
19	RUCO Surrebuttal \$ 603,174	\$ 8,715	1.47%
20	Staff Surrebuttal \$ 775,283	\$ 180,824	30.42%
21	Intervenors \$ 498,047	\$ (74,704) ¹	-13.04% ²
22	Company Rejoinder \$ 855,107	\$ 260,648	43.85%
23			

24 ¹ Company proposed direct adjusted test year revenue of \$572,751 minus \$498,047 as shown in
25 Schoemperlen Surrebuttal Schedule D on page 15 of Surrebuttal Testimony of James
Schoemperlen.

26 ² \$(74,704) divided by \$572,751.

1 **Q8 WHY IS THE REQUESTED REVENUE INCREASE LOWER IN GWC'S**
2 **REJOINDER FILING COMPARED TO THE REBUTTAL FILING?**

3 A8. The Company has revised its property tax computation to utilize a 20% assessment
4 ratio rather than a 21% assessment ratio. This has reduced the Company proposed
5 adjusted property tax expense and has also resulted in a slight reduction to adjusted
6 test year income taxes. The Company proposed rate base of \$2,298,376 and
7 proposed operating expenses other than property taxes and income taxes of
8 \$490,461 remains the same as it proposed in its rebuttal filing.

9
10 **Q9. HAS THE COMPANY REVISED ANY OF ITS REBUTTAL PROPOSED**
11 **REVENUE AND/OR EXPENSE ADJUSTMENTS OR ADOPTED ANY**
12 **ADDITIONAL ADJUSTMENTS PROPOSED BY STAFF OR RUCO?**

13 A9. Other than the change to property tax expense and income tax expense mentioned
14 above, the rate base and income statement adjustments are the same. These
15 adjustments were described in detail in my Rebuttal Testimony.

16
17 **Q10. PLEASE SUMMARIZE THE COMPANY'S OPERATING INCOME**
18 **ADJUSTMENTS TO ITS INITIAL RECOMMENDATIONS AT THIS**
19 **STAGE OF THE PROCEEDING AND THE POSITIONS OF STAFF AND**
20 **RUCO.**

21 A10. The operating income adjustments as follows:

22 Depreciation Expense - This adjustment increases depreciation expense by
23 \$13,620 and reflects the Company's proposed depreciation rates and plant-in-
24 service amounts. The Company agrees with the Staff proposed depreciation rates.³

25 ³ Compare depreciation rates on Company Rejoinder Schedule C-2, page 2 and Staff Surrebuttal
26 Schedule GLF-16.

1 It also appears that RUCO utilizes the Staff proposed depreciation rates.⁴
2 Differences in the parties' respective level of depreciation expense are due to
3 differences in each of the parties' recommended plant-in-service amounts.
4

5 Property Taxes - This adjustment reduces property tax expense by \$2,250 to reflect
6 the application of the modified Arizona Department of Revenue ("ADOR")
7 property tax formula. The Company and Staff agree on the use of the modified
8 ADOR formula and the adjusted test year level of property tax of \$19,049.⁵ While
9 RUCO utilizes the modified ADOR formulation, RUCO recommends property tax
10 expense of \$17,729.⁶ RUCO's recommended property tax expense excludes
11 \$1,320 of taxes on parcels where as both the Company and Staff recommendations
12 include these property taxes.
13

14 Rate Case Expense - This adjustment increases annual rate case expense by
15 \$20,000 to \$40,000 reflecting the Company's request for \$160,000 of rate case
16 expense amortized over 4 years. Staff proposes \$160,000 of rate case expense
17 normalized over 4 years or \$40,000 annually.⁷ RUCO has not proposed any
18 changes to the Company's initial request of \$80,000 amortized over 4 years or
19 \$20,000 annually.
20

21 Revenue Annualization - The Company is proposing a revenue annualization
22 adjustment of \$21,708. Both Staff and RUCO have adopted the Company's

23 ⁴ Compare depreciation rates on RUCO Surrebuttal Schedule TJC-10 and Staff Surrebuttal
24 Schedule GLF-16.

25 ⁵ See Company Rejoinder Schedule C-2, page 3 and Staff Surrebuttal Schedule GLF-17.

26 ⁶ See RUCO Surrebuttal Schedule TJC-11.

⁷ Surrebuttal Testimony of Gordon L. Fox ("Fox Sb.") at 26.

1 proposed revenue annualization adjustment.⁸

2
3 Water Testing – This adjustment increases Water Testing Expense by \$1,568 and
4 reflects the adoption of Staff’s proposed adjustment and adjusted test year level of
5 expense.⁹ RUCO has also adopted Staff proposed adjustment to Water Testing
6 Expense.¹⁰

7
8 Purchased Power Annualization – This adjustment increases Purchase Power
9 Expense by \$577 and reflects the increase in pumping power costs for additional
10 gallons to be sold by annualizing revenues to the year-end level of customers.
11 Both Staff and RUCO have adopted the Company’s proposed revenue
12 annualization adjustment.¹¹

13
14 Interest Synchronization – This adjustment increases Interest Expense by \$1,613
15 and reflects interest synchronization with rate base. Both Staff and RUCO propose
16 to interest synchronize interest expense with their respective recommended rate
17 bases.¹²

18
19 Income Taxes – This adjustment reduces income taxes by \$12,794 reflecting the
20 application of statutory state and federal income tax rates to the Company’s
21 adjusted taxable income. Both Staff and RUCO compute income taxes using the

22
23 ⁸ Fox Sb. at 7; Surrebuttal Testimony of Timothy Coley (“Coley Sb.”) at 43.

24 ⁹ Fox Sb. at 27.

25 ¹⁰ Coley Sb. at 4.

26 ¹¹ Fox Sb. at 33; Coley Sb. at 4.

¹² See Staff Surrebuttal Schedule GLF-2; Coley Sb. at 47.

1 applicable state and federal income tax rates to their respective adjusted taxable
2 income.¹³

3
4 **Q11. PLEASE SUMMARIZE ANY REMAINING OPERATING INCOME**
5 **ISSUES IN DISPUTE BETWEEN THE PARTIES.**

6 A11. The following areas remain in dispute with RUCO:

7
8 Salaries and Wages and related Payroll Taxes – RUCO proposes to reduce Salaries
9 and Wages by \$4,986 and Taxes Other Than Income by \$372.¹⁴ The Company
10 disagrees with RUCO's proposal.

11
12 Contractual Services – RUCO proposes to reduce Contractual Services by
13 \$2,493.¹⁵ The Company disagrees with RUCO's proposal.

14
15 **Q12. PLEASE SUMMARIZE THE COMPANY'S PROPOSED RATE BASE**
16 **ADJUSTMENTS TO ITS INITIAL RECOMMENDATIONS AND THE**
17 **POSITIONS OF STAFF AND RUCO AT THIS STAGE OF THE**
18 **PROCEEDING.**

19 A12. The rate base adjustments proposed by the Company have not changed from its
20 rebuttal filing. They are summarized as follows:

21
22 Storage Reservoir Upsizing – The Company proposes the removal of \$72,350 of
23

24 ¹³ Fox Sb. at 8; Coley Sb. at 47.

25 ¹⁴ Coley Sb. at 4.

26 ¹⁵ *Id.*

1 costs related to upsizing the 530,000 gallon storage tank¹⁶ from Account 330.1 –
2 Storage Tanks. Staff is in agreement with the Company's proposal.

3
4 Land – The Company proposes to reduce the land cost by \$35,000 based on the
5 appraisal of Company witness, Mr. Ferenchak. Staff proposes to reduce the cost
6 of land by \$379,837.¹⁷ Mr. Schoemperlen proposes to reduce the land cost by
7 \$369,500.¹⁸

8
9 Plant Reclassification - The Company has adopted Staff's recommendation to
10 reclassify water treatment equipment costs totaling \$15,947 from account 320 –
11 Water Treatment Plant to account 320.2 – Chemical Solution Feeders.¹⁹ The
12 Company has also adopted Staff's recommendation to reclassify storage reservoir
13 costs totaling \$836,890 from account 330 – Storage Reservoirs and Standpipe to
14 account 330.1 – Storage Tanks (\$384,827) and account 330.2 – Pressure Tanks
15 (\$452,063).²⁰ The net impact of both of these plant reclassifications on PIS and
16 rate base is zero. RUCO has not adopted Staff's plant reclassification
17 recommendations.

18
19 Accumulated Depreciation – The Company proposes to increase accumulated
20 depreciation ("A/D") by \$2,510. This adjustment reflects the impacts of a
21

22 ¹⁶ The actual tank size is 600,000 gallons, but the useable capacity is 530,000 gallons.

23 ¹⁷ Fox Sb. at 18. Staff originally proposed to reduce the land cost by \$369,500 (see Direct
24 Testimony, but has revised its recommendation to reduce the land cost by \$379,837.

25 ¹⁸ See Surrebuttal Testimony of James Schoemperlen ("Schoemperlen Sb.") at 5 and
26 Schoemperlen Schedule M.

¹⁹ Fox Sb. at 4.

²⁰ *Id.* at 6.

1 correction of a computational error for 2007 and the removal of A/D related to the
2 removal of the cost of the tank upsizing discussed above. Staff proposes to
3 reduce A/D by \$7,910²¹ whereas RUCO proposes to reduce A/D by \$3,268²². Both
4 RUCO and Staff propose A/D balances which reflect their respective
5 recommendations for plant-in-in-service.
6

7 Accumulated Deferred Income Taxes – The Company proposes to reduce
8 accumulated deferred income taxes (“ADIT”) by \$5,713 to reflect the Company’s
9 proposed changes to PIS, and A/D. Staff proposes to reduce ADIT by \$16,936
10 whereas RUCO proposes to increase ADIT by \$50,545. These are presumably
11 based upon Staff’s and RUCO’s recommendations to PIS, A/D, and Advances-in-
12 Aid of Construction (“AIAC”).
13

14 **Q13. PLEASE SUMMARIZE ANY REMAINING RATE BASE ISSUES IN**
15 **DISPUTE BETWEEN THE PARTIES.**

16 A13. The following areas remain in dispute with Staff and RUCO:
17

18 Not Used and Useful Plant – Staff proposes to remove \$128,600 from transmission
19 mains to reflect lines that Staff has determined to be not used and useful.²³ The
20 Company disagrees with Staff’s proposal.
21

22 Excess Capacity – RUCO proposes to eliminate \$1,360,580 of PIS costs and
23

24 ²¹ Fox Sb. at 21.

25 ²² Coley Sb. at 2.

26 ²³ Fox Sb. at 20.

1 \$269,307 of A/D which RUCO deems excess capacity.²⁴ Mr. Schoemperlen
2 proposes to eliminate of PIS costs \$578,003 which Mr. Schoemperlen deems
3 excess capacity.²⁵ The Company disagrees with both Mr. Schoemperlen's and
4 RUCO's proposals.

5
6 Tank Over-Sizing – Mr. Schoemperlen proposes to remove \$132,677 of tank over-
7 sizing.²⁶ The Company disagrees with this amount. The tank over-sizing cost
8 was \$72,350 and this is the amount the Company has proposed as an adjustment.

9
10 Advances-in-aid of Construction ("AIAC") - Staff proposes to remove \$128,600
11 from AIAC which is related to its recommendation to remove \$128,600 of
12 transmission main costs.²⁷ Although the Company does not agree with the removal
13 of the transmission main costs, if the Commission adopts Staff recommendation
14 regarding transmission mains, then this would be an appropriate adjustment to the
15 AIAC account.

16 RUCO proposes to remove \$497,983 of AIAC which is a related adjustment
17 to RUCO's excess capacity adjustments to PIS.²⁸ The Company does not agree
18 with the RUCO proposed excess capacity adjustment and therefore does not agree
19 with RUCO's proposed adjustment to AIAC.

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22
23 ²⁴ Coley Sb. at 2.

24 ²⁵ See Schoemperlen Schedule M.

25 ²⁶ *Id.*

26 ²⁷ Fox Sb. at 22.

²⁸ Coley Sb. at 3.

1 **III. RATE BASE**

2 **Q14. WOULD YOU PLEASE IDENTIFY THE PARTIES' RESPECTIVE RATE**
3 **BASE RECOMMENDATIONS?**

4 A14. Yes, the rate bases proposed by the parties at this stage in the proceeding are as
5 follows:

	<u>OCRB</u>	<u>FVRB</u>
6 Company Rebuttal	\$ 2,298,376	\$ 2,298,376
7 RUCO	\$ 1,755,188	\$ 1,755,118
8 Staff	\$ 1,974,781	\$ 1,974,781
9 Interveners	\$ 1,317,239	\$ 1,317,239
10 Company Rejoinder	\$ 2,298,376	\$ 2,298,376

11 **A. Plant-in-service.**

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13
14 **Q15. WOULD YOU PLEASE DISCUSS THE COMPANY'S PROPOSED**
15 **ORIGINAL COST RATE BASE?**

16 A15. The Company's rate base adjustments to OCRB at this stage of the proceeding are
17 detailed on rejoinder schedules B-2, pages 3 through 5. Rejoinder Schedule B-2,
18 page 1 and 2, summarize the Company's proposed adjustments and the rebuttal
19 OCRB.

20 Rebuttal B-2 adjustment 1, as summarized on Rejoinder Schedule B-2, page
21 2, consists of two adjustments labeled as "A", "B", and "C" on Rejoinder Schedule
22 B-2, page 3.

23 Adjustment A, of Rejoinder B-2 adjustment 1, reflects a reclassification of
24 plant costs. The Company proposes to reclassify water treatment equipment costs
25 totaling \$15,947 from account 320 – Water Treatment Plant to account 320.2 –

1 Chemical Solution Feeders. The Company also proposes to reclassify storage
2 reservoir costs totaling \$836,890 from account 330 – Storage Reservoirs and
3 Standpipe to account 330.1 – Storage Tanks (\$384,827) and account 330.2 –
4 Pressure Tanks (\$452,063). Both of these reclassifications reflect the adoption of
5 Staff’s recommended reclassifications.²⁹ The net impact of both of these plant
6 reclassifications on PIS and rate base is zero.

7 Adjustment B reflects a decrease to PIS (Account 330.1 – Storage Tanks)
8 for storage reservoir upsizing costs totaling \$72,350. Staff has adopted this
9 adjustment.³⁰

10 Adjustment C reflects a decrease to PIS (Account 3303 – Land and Land
11 Rights) of \$35,000 to reflect an appraisal of the land at the time the land parcels
12 were devoted to public service by Mr. Ferenchak.³¹

13
14 1. Response to Staff Surrebuttal Testimony on Staff’s Proposed
Land Adjustment

15
16 **Q16. BRIEFLY SUMMARIZE THE COMPANY AND THE STAFF POSITION
REGARDING THE LAND VALUES?**

17
18 A16. Put simply, it is Staff position that since the NARUC Guidelines for Cost
19 Allocation and Affiliate Transactions (the “Guidelines”) generally call for
20 recognizing the land transaction (an affiliate transaction) at the lower of prevailing
21 market price or net book value and since the Company has not provided the book
22 value amount, Staff is proposing to use the 2009 Pinal County Assessor’s Full Cash
23 Value (“FCV”) as the value of the land for the four parcels.³²

24 ²⁹ *Id.*

25 ³⁰ Fox Sb. at 20.

26 ³¹ See Rebuttal Testimony of John Ferenchak III (“Ferenchak Rb.”).

³² Fox Sb. at 17.

1 The Company's position is that the book value of the land of EC
2 development is irrelevant. The value of the land, established by the independent
3 appraisal of Mr. Ferenchak, is the cost to Goodman Water Company at the time the
4 land was devoted to public service which is consistent with the ACC rules.³³ The
5 Guidelines upon which Staff relies were developed for large electric and gas public
6 utility holding companies that provide both regulated and unregulated services and
7 products and were not intended to be rules or regulations.³⁴ Not only do the
8 Guidelines state this, but the NARUC resolution adopting the Guidelines also states
9 this. I have attached the NARUC resolution at Rejoinder Exhibit TJB-RJ1. I have
10 also attached at Rejoinder Exhibit TJB-RJ2 a copy of a study prepared by Deloitte
11 & Touche back in 1999 when the Guidelines were being drafted by NARUC for
12 electric and gas utilities. This provides a helpful background to the types of cost
13 allocations and transfer pricing and an idea of the range of practices among state
14 public utility commissions. The bottom line is that the Guidelines have never been
15 formally adopted by the Commission for any type of utility (electric, gas, water,
16 and/or wastewater) through proper rule making by this Commission and should not
17 be applied here.

18
19 **Q17. DO YOU HAVE ANY FURTHER COMMENTS ON THE GUIDELINES**
20 **AND THE APPLICABILITY OF THOSE GUIDELINES IN THE INSTANT**
21 **CASE?**

22 A17. Yes. The method for recording the transfer of assets at the lower of cost or market
23 value as prescribed in the Guidelines is not universally accepted. While I have not
24 conducted an exhaustive search, I have found a few examples of policies and/or

25 ³³ See Rebuttal Testimony of Thomas J. Bourassa ("Bourassa Rb.") at 5.

26 ³⁴ *Id.*

1 rules adopted by various public utility commissions. The California Public Utility
2 Commission ("CPUC"), for example, requires the transfers of assets from an
3 affiliate to a water utility to be at the fair market value. CPUC Standard Practice
4 U-21-W, Non-Tariffed Service Offerings and Information on Affiliate Transactions
5 states:

6
7 Rule 21. *Transfers Of Tangible and Intangible Assets and Goods to*
8 *Water Utility*. Any transfer of any tangible or intangible asset or
9 good to Water Utility from any affiliated company or its holding
10 companies shall be in compliance with the applicable provisions of
11 the statutes, law and consistent Commission policies. Unless in
12 conflict with the statutes, law and consistent Commission policies,
such asset or goods transferred from an affiliated sister company or
its holding companies to Water Utility shall be at fair market value.
Water Utility may seek prior authorization from the Commission,
however, by filing an application or advice letter for a determination
of the appropriate value of an asset or good. (emphasis added)

13 The Oregon Public Utility Commission ("OPUC"), on the other hand, requires that
14 when an asset is transferred to a water utility from an affiliate, the asset shall be
15 recorded as the lower of net book value or fair market value similar to the
16 Guidelines.³⁵ The Public Utility Commission of Texas does not appear to have a
17 specific rule for water utilities, however, the applicable rule on affiliate asset
18 transfers for electric service providers states:

19 **Purchase of products, services, or assets by a utility from its**
20 **affiliate.** Products, services, and assets shall be priced at levels that
21 are fair and reasonable to the customers of the utility and that reflect
the market value of the product, service, or asset.³⁶

22 **Q18. PLEASE COMMENT ON STAFF'S DESCRIPTION OF THE**
23 **CIRCUMSTANCES SURROUNDING THE LAND TRANSACTION?**

24
25 ³⁵ Oregon Administrative Rule 860-036-0739.3.a.

26 ³⁶ Public Utility Commission of Texas, Electric Substantive Rules, Chapter 25, Subchapter K,
Section (e).

1 A18. First, let me state that the Company does not disagree with Staff that non-arm's
2 length transactions require more scrutiny.³⁷ To that end, Staff has no direct
3 concerns over accepting the appraisal of the land by Mr. Ferenchak or to Mr.
4 Ferenchak's independence or his abilities as an appraiser or his personal integrity.³⁸
5 However, because Staff has concerns of the circumstances surrounding the
6 transaction, including the fact that it was not an arm's length transaction, Staff
7 believes that the transaction requires a "healthy level of skepticism".³⁹ In response
8 to questions raised by Staff related to the valuation date(s) and over the
9 independence of Mr. Naifeh,⁴⁰ the Company engaged Mr. Ferenchak to perform an
10 independent appraisal that addressed Staff's concerns.

11
12 **Q19. WHAT ABOUT THE FAILURE TO RECORD THE LAND TRANSACTION**
13 **IN A TIMELY MANNER?**

14 A19. The fact that the land transaction was not recorded in a timely manner is not
15 particularly alarming. Bookkeeping mistakes among both small and large utilities
16 are not uncommon. In a recent rate case for a relatively large water utility, Bella
17 Vista Water⁴¹, retirements were not recorded during the period of time from when
18 Liberty Water acquired Bella Vista Water in 2003 to the end of the test year
19 (2009). That said, in my experience there are bookkeeping mistakes identified in
20 most cases which range from simple misclassification of plant assets to failure to
21 record transactions. These mistakes can range for the immaterial to the material.

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23 ³⁷ Fox Sb. at 16.

24 ³⁸ Fox Sb. at 15-16.

25 ³⁹ *Id.* at 16.

26 ⁴⁰ Fox Sb. at 15 and 16.

⁴¹ See Docket No. W-02465A-09-0411, et al.

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2 **Q20. PLEASE RESPOND TO MR. FOX'S TESTIMONY ON PAGE 16 THAT**
3 **THE CIRCUMSTANCES PROVIDED THE COMPANY AND INCENTIVE**
4 **TO OBTAIN A HIGH APPRAISAL VALUATION AND TO SEEK AN**
5 **APPRAISER THAT WOULD RENDER A FAVORABLE CONCLUSION?**

6 A20. The facts do not support Mr. Fox's assertion. While we can disagree about
7 whether Mr. Naifeh's appraisal was independent, Mr. Naifeh has testified that his
8 appraisal was not influenced by Mr. Shiner or anyone else and not based upon a
9 requested minimum valuation or a specific determination of value.⁴² Further, Mr.
10 Naifeh was hired to prepare an appraisal in 2008 shortly after it was discovered that
11 the land was not recorded on the books. There was nothing nefarious about that.
12 Mr. Shiner erred in requesting a June 2008 valuation date. However, this was not
13 an attempt to maximize the land value or obtain a more favorable opinion of value
14 but rather an incorrect assumption on Mr. Shiner's part about the correct valuation
15 date. That said, the question over the value of the land at the time(s) the four
16 parcels were devoted to public service has been resolved by the appraisal by Mr.
17 Ferenchak with whom Staff does not have a concern.

18
19 **Q21. DOES THE MANNER IN WHICH THE COMPANY PAID FOR THE LAND**
20 **RAISE ANY SUSPICIONS ABOUT THE TRANSACTION?**

21 A21. No. As Mr. Fox correctly testified, the land was paid for through a combination of
22 stock, cash, and seller short-term financing.⁴³ This is not unusual nor should it
23 raise any suspicions as Mr. Fox asserts.⁴⁴ Mr. Fox does not explain why the

24 ⁴² Naifeh Rb. at 8.

25 ⁴³ Fox Sb. at 16.

26 ⁴⁴ See Decision 70052 (December 4, 2007). Valley Utilities Water Company purchased land and
equipment from an affiliate through a combination of stock and short-term debt.

1 method of financing raises suspicions, only that it does. Mr. Fox's unexplained
2 and unsupported assertion, just as his mention of the failure to record that land in a
3 timely fashion, is no more than a distraction. Ultimately, Staff seeks to have the
4 land valued at the lesser of market value or book cost as set forth in the NARUC
5 audit guidelines for affiliate transactions (the "Guidelines"). Mr. Fox admits that
6 even if Mr. Ferenchak's appraisal is an accurate representation of the market value
7 of the land at the times the parcels were devoted to public service, the Guidelines
8 require the land to be recognized at the book value of EC Development.⁴⁵
9

10 **Q22. SINCE STAFF FILED ITS SURREBUTTAL TESTIMONY HAS THE**
11 **COMPANY PROVIDED THE BOOK VALUE INFORMATION TO ALL OF**
12 **THE PARTIES IN THIS CASE?**

13 A22. Yes. Again, while the Company believes that the book value of EC Development
14 is irrelevant, the Company has determined the fully allocated cost (the book value)
15 of the four parcels to be \$255,000.⁴⁶
16

17 **Q23. WHY IS THE MARKET VALUE OF THE LAND THE APPROPRIATE**
18 **BASIS?**

19 A23. Putting aside that utilizing the market price is consistent with the established ACC
20 Rules,⁴⁷ market based transfer prices should be considered by the Commission as
21 fair since the price for a utility/affiliate transaction would be the same as the price
22 for a non-affiliate transaction and avoids confiscation by regulators of property that
23 is devoted to public service.

24 ⁴⁵ *Id.*

25 ⁴⁶ See Supplemental Response to Intervener Data Request 5.

26 ⁴⁷ Bourassa Rb at 5.

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2 **Q24. HAS THE MARKET VALUE OF LAND PURCHASED FROM AN**
3 **AFFILIATE BEEN RECOGNIZED BY STAFF AND THE COMMISSION**
4 **IN THE PAST?**

5 A24. Yes. In Decision 70052 (December 4, 2007) the Commission accepted the
6 appraised value of land and other equipment purchased from an affiliate as its cost
7 and accepted the method of financing the purchase. In this financing proceeding,
8 Valley Utilities Water Company ("VUWC") sought approval of the purchase of
9 land and equipment from an affiliate. The transaction involved VUWC using a
10 combination of stock and a short-term note in the purchase.

11
12 **Q25. WAS THE BOOK VALUE OF THE LAND AND EQUIPMENT EVER AN**
13 **ISSUE IN THE VUWCO FINANCING CASE?**

14 A25. No. Staff did not even make an inquiry as to the book value of the land.
15

16 **Q26. WAS THE VALUE OF THE LAND INCLUDED IN THE RATE BASE**
17 **ADOPTED BY THE COMMISSION IN VUWCO'S SUBSEQUENT RATE**
18 **CASE?**

19 A26. Yes. I was VUWC's rate consultant in that case and there were no issues related to
20 the land value.⁴⁸

21 2. **Response to Schoemperlen Surrebuttal Testimony on Proposed**
22 **Land Adjustment**

23 **Q27. HAVE YOU REVIEWED MR. SCHOEMPERLEN'S SURREBUTTAL**
24 **TESTIMONY REGARDING THE VALUE OF THE LAND? PLEASE**
25

26 ⁴⁸ See Decision 71482 (February 3, 2010) and Docket No. W-01412A-08-0586.

1 **COMMENT.**

2 A27. Yes. Like Staff, Mr. Schoemperlen proposes using the lower of book value or
3 market value for the cost of the land as set forth in the NARUC Guidelines.
4 However, the NARUC Guidelines have never been formally established by this
5 Commission as the "rules". Further, as I previously testified this Commission has
6 accepted the market value of property purchased from an affiliate as the basis of
7 cost.

8 3. **Response to Staff Surrebuttal Testimony on Staff's Proposed**
9 **Not Used and Useful Plant Adjustment**

10 **Q28. DO YOU HAVE ANY ADDITIONAL COMMENTS REGARDING STAFF'S**
11 **DISALLOW CERTAIN MAINS BECAUSE THEY ARE NOT USED AND**
12 **USEFUL?**

13 A28. Putting aside the fact that these mains were installed with a reasonable expectation
14 of customer growth materializing, Staff's recommendation suffers, in part, from the
15 fact that Staff seeks to eliminate mains that are clearly within the scope of Staff's 5
16 year planning horizon customer growth computation and as such must be
17 considered used and useful. Let me explain. The Company has installed mains
18 and services for 854 lots⁴⁹ which the Company seeks to include in rate base. There
19 are currently 959 platted lots and there are no mains installed to serve 105 of those
20 lots. Staff projects 875 customers through 2014 (using Staff's 5 year planning
21 horizon). So the criteria to evaluate the used and usefulness of plant exceeds the
22 available lots that home can be serviced. Accordingly, these mains should be
23 considered used and useful.

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26 ⁴⁹ There 837 lots with service lines and 17 without service lines.

1 **Q29. WHICH MAINS THAT STAFF SEEKS TO DISALLOW SERVE OR WILL**
2 **SERVE A PORTION OF THE AVAILABLE 854 LOTS?**

3 Q29. First, the section of main along Running Roses Lane (and Center Circle Trail)
4 which Staff seeks to disallow totaling \$40,378⁵⁰ was part of Phase V and will serve
5 lots 772 through 776, lots 847 and 848, and lots 859 through 865 (14 lots).⁵¹ As a
6 side note, a request for service was received by the owner of Lot 773 just recently
7 (April 2011). Second, the mains and appurtenances along Sparkle Spur Lane will
8 serve lots 708-718 (11 lots).

9
10 **Q30. CURRENTLY, HOW MANY LOTS WITH METERS ARE THERE?**

11 Q30. 716. That means there are 139 infill lots (854 – 716 + 1) or lots without meters. At
12 the current rate of growth, the 139 lots will be absorbed by the end of 2014.

13
14 **Q31. WHAT ABOUT THE COST OF THE OTHER MAINS STAFF SEEKS TO**
15 **DISALLOW?**

16 Q31. The cost of the 12 inch main from Water Plant #1 to the Proposed Well Site #3
17 totaling \$50,586⁵² and the 12 inch main from Edwin Road to the end of the line
18 (southwest corner)⁵³ was prudently installed for the reasons cited by Mr. Taylor.⁵⁴
19 While these mains do not specifically serve individual lots, the cost of these mains
20 were prudently incurred and it is good public policy to recognize these mains.

21
22 ⁵⁰ See Surrebuttal Testimony of Marlin Scott ("Scott Sb.") at 3.

23 ⁵¹ Phase V construction was halted due to the downturn in the economy and the mains planned for
24 lots 777 through 858 (except for 847 and 848) along Running Roses Lane and related side streets
25 were not installed.

26 ⁵² Scott Sb. at 3.

⁵³ *Id.*

⁵⁴ See Rebuttal Testimony of Mark Taylor ("Taylor Rb.") at Page 16.

1 **Q32. WEREN'T ALL OF THESE MAINS FUNDED WITH DEVELOPER**
2 **ADVANCES?**

3 A32. Yes. Consequently, rate payers have been shielded from the risk of the installation
4 of these mains as the net impact of these mains on rate base is zero.
5

6 **Q33. ISN'T THERE A DEPRECIATION EXPENSE IMPACT FROM THESE**
7 **MAINS?**

8 A33. Yes. The impact on annual depreciation expense is about \$2,572 (\$128,600 times
9 2%). This translates to about 34 cents per monthly bill based upon the test year
10 end number of customers (\$2,572 divided by 626 divided by 12). That said this
11 depreciation expense in rates helps the Company meet its refund obligations.
12

13 4. **Response to Staff Surrebuttal Testimony on Accumulated**
14 **Deferred Income Taxes ("ADIT")**

15 **Q34. DO YOU HAVE ANY COMMENTS ON STAFF'S COMPUTED**
16 **ACCUMULATED DEFERRED TAX AMOUNT?**

17 A34. Yes. I believe that Staff's computation contains an error which overstates Staff's
18 proposed ADIT balance. Let me explain. In reviewing Staff's work papers I have
19 found that Staff over adjusted the AIAC balance used in its computation by
20 \$128,600. In other words, Staff double counted its disallowance to AIAC of
21 \$128,600. The adjusted balance of AIAC set forth in Staff's computation (before
22 adjusting for the unrealized AIAC) is \$1,844,705 which is Staff adjusted balance of
23 \$1,973,305 less the 128,600. However, the \$1,973,305 balance already includes
24 Staff's reduction of \$128,600. The \$1,973,305 is the Company's proposed balance
25 of \$2,101,905 less \$128,600.
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2 **Q35. WHAT IS THE CORRECT BALANCE FOR ADIT BASED ON STAFF'S**
3 **RECOMMENDATIONS?**

4 A35. \$85,656 as shown in the ADIT schedule attached at Rejoinder Exhibit TJB-RJ-3.
5 Staff's currently proposed balance of \$118,506⁵⁵ is incorrect and \$32,850 too
6 high.⁵⁶
7

8 **Q36. ON PAGE 23, MR. FOX TESTIFIED THAT WHILE HE FINDS THE**
9 **COMPANY'S ADIT METHODOLOGY TO BE CORRECT, HE EITHER**
10 **DOES NOT HAVE OR COULD NOT LOCATE THE DATA NECESSARY**
11 **TO VERIFY THE TAX BASIS OF PLANT USED IN THE**
12 **COMPUTATIONS. DO YOU HAVE A COMMENT?**

13 A36. Yes. While I believe this information was provided to Staff earlier in the case, I
14 will forward to Mr. Fox copies of the relevant portions of the Company's 2009
15 federal tax return which includes the M-1 schedule and the book and tax
16 depreciation schedules. Due to the confidential nature of tax return information I
17 am not including this information as an attachment.
18

19 **5. Response to RUCO's Surrebuttal Testimony on Excess**
20 **Capacity**

21 **Q37. HAVE YOU REVIEWED RUCO'S MODIFIED EXCESS CAPACITY**
22 **ADJUSTMENT METHODOLOGY AND RATIONALE AND SET FORTH IN**
23 **MR. COLEY'S SURREBUTTAL TESTIMONY? PLEASE COMMENT.**

24 A37. Yes. I have reviewed the methodology and the rationale underlying that

25 ⁵⁵ Fox Sb. at 23.

26 ⁵⁶ Accordingly, Staff's proposed rate base is \$32,850 too low.

1 methodology as presented by Mr. Coley and find that the RUCO approach to
2 excess capacity is contrived and has no rationale relationship to the amount of plant
3 necessary to serve customers. Further, RUCO seeks to change the Commission's
4 long standing policy regarding a 5 year planning horizon which exists, in part, to
5 promote efficient and economical construction of water systems which ultimately
6 results in lower costs to rate payers.

7
8 **Q38. PLEASE EXPLAIN WHY RUCO'S METHODOLOGY HAS NO RATIONAL**
9 **RELATIONSHIP TO THE AMOUNT OF PLANT NECESSARY TO SERVE**
10 **CUSTOMERS.**

11 A38. Let's start with the storage tank at Water Plant #3 and assume for the moment that
12 RUCO's 733 customer base is used as the allowed basis of customers including a
13 reserve margin.⁵⁷ Following the Staff engineering witness's analysis of required
14 capacity that appears at Exhibit MSJ of Mr. Scott's surrebuttal testimony, and
15 using 733 customers instead of 875 customers, the required capacity for the storage
16 tank is 272,590 gallons which happens to be 91.8% of the usable capacity (8.2%
17 excess). RUCO determined that the used and useful capacity of the storage tank is
18 64.15% and 35.85% excess capacity.⁵⁸

19
20 **Q39. PLEASE EXPLAIN HOW YOU DETERMINED THE 272,590 GALLONS**
21 **OF REQUIRED CAPACITY AND THE 91.8 PERCENT?**

22 A39. Following the analysis in Exhibit MSJ of Mr. Scott's testimony consider the
23 following:

24
25 ⁵⁷ Coley Sb. at 19.

26 ⁵⁸ Coley Sb. at 17.

- 1 1. The required storage capacity is 408,590 gallons. This amount is calculated by
- 2 the fire flow requirement (240,000 GPD) plus the demand at 733 customers of
- 3 168,590 GPD (230 GPD/connection x 733 connections).
- 4 2. The entire 400,000 gallon storage tank, with 316,000 gallons of usable capacity,
- 5 is needed because both wells pump into this tank and this tank serves as the
- 6 chlorination contact chamber. In addition, this tank serves as the main storage
- 7 for fire flow protection for the majority of the water system.
- 8 3. The estimate of the required storage capacity of 408,590 gallons is more than
- 9 the 316,000 gallons of usable capacity by 92,590 gallons.
- 10 4. To determine how much of the 600,000 gallon storage tank, with 487,000
- 11 gallons of usage capacity, is needed, consider the fire flow of 180,000 gallons
- 12 (1,500 GPM at 2 hours) for the K-Zone customers plus the 92,590 gallons
- 13 totaling to 272,590 gallons of required capacity.
- 14 5. The 272,590 of required capacity is 55.9% of the 487,000 gallons of usable
- 15 capacity. However, the Company has removed the cost for the 190,000 gallon
- 16 up-sizing of the storage tank and this capacity is not part of the rate case, which
- 17 would reduce the usable tank capacity to 297,000 gallons (487,000 – 190,000).
- 18 The 272,590 gallons required is 91.8% of the 297,000 gallons of usable tank
- 19 capacity (272,590 / 297,000 x 100).

20

21 **Q40. HOW MUCH OF THE STORAGE TANK COST DOES RUCO SEEK TO**

22 **DISALLOW?**

23 A40. \$194,456.⁵⁹ This represents a disallowance of 35.8% of the storage tank cost

24 (\$194,456 / \$542,431 x 100). Compare this to the computed “excess” capacity of

25 8.2% assuming RUCO’s 733 customer basis is appropriate, which it is not.

26 ⁵⁹ Coley Sb. at 18.

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2 **Q41. PLEASE CONTINUE WITH YOUR EXPLANATION AS TO WHY RUCO'S**
3 **METHODOLOGY HAS NO RATIONAL RELATIONSHIP TO THE**
4 **AMOUNT OF PLANT NECESSARY TO SERVE CUSTOMERS.**

5 A41. Let's next consider the installed mains. Earlier I testified that water mains have
6 been installed to serve 854 lots. Accepting for the moment RUCO's proposed
7 customer base of 733 which underpins RUCO's excess capacity approach, there are
8 installed mains serving 121 more lots than are required (854 - 733). In other
9 words, 85.8% of the mains are used and useful ($733 / 854 \times 100$) and 14.2% of the
10 mains are considered excess ($121 / 854 \times 100$). However, under the RUCO
11 approach, RUCO seeks to recognize only 66.9% of the cost of the mains. Let me
12 explain. On RUCO Surrebuttal Schedule TJC-5, RUCO computes \$1,077,430 as
13 the allowed amount for plant account 331- Transmission and Distribution Mains.
14 The total balance of transmission and distribution mains at the end of the test year
15 was \$1,611,321 which is the sum of the \$628,673 and \$982,648 in column A and
16 column C, respectively, on RUCO Surrebuttal Schedule TJC-5 for account 331 -
17 Transmission and Distribution Mains. The \$1,077,430 is 66.9% of the \$1,611,321
18 ($\$1,077,430 / \$1,611,321$).

19 The bottom line is that RUCO seeks to disallow 33.1% (100% - 66.9%) of
20 the costs of the mains when rationally only 14.2% of the costs should be
21 considered excess under RUCO's methodology, assuming that the RUCO's
22 proposed 733 customer base is even accurate, which it is not.

1 **Q42. DOES RUCO SEEK TO DISALLOW OTHER PLANT AMOUNTS IN ITS**
2 **EXCESS CAPACITY ADJUSTMENT?**

3 A42. Yes. RUCO, for example, seeks to allow only 84.2% of the pumping equipment
4 costs even though those pumps are currently being used to deliver water to
5 customers. The pumping equipment must exist whether there are 626 customers
6 (the test year-end level of customers) or there are 854 customers (the currently
7 serviceable available lots). As I understand it from my conversation with the
8 engineers at Westland Resources, the number of pumps and the size of the pumps
9 that are required on a small water system are primarily sized based upon fire flow
10 requirements and not the number of customers. Further, there is no evidence that
11 the system has more pumps than are needed nor is there any evidence of over-
12 sizing of the pumping equipment. Put simply, RUCO's excess capacity adjustment
13 for pumping equipment has no merit.

14
15 **Q43. HOW DID YOU ARRIVE AT THE 84.2 PERCENT FIGURE?**

16 A43. On RUCO Surrebuttal Schedule TJC-5, RUCO computes \$815,621 as the allowed
17 amount for plant account 311- Electric Pumping Equipment. The total balance of
18 account 311 - Electric Pumping Equipment at the end of the test year was
19 \$968,852, which is the sum of the \$686,993 and \$281,659 in column A and column
20 C, respectively, on RUCO Surrebuttal Schedule TJC-5 for account 311 - Electric
21 Pumping Equipment. The \$815,621 is 84.2% of the \$968,852 (\$815,621 /
22 \$968,852). In other words, RUCO seeks to disallow 15.8% of the pumping
23 equipment costs.

1 Q44. HAVE YOU REVIEWED THE SURREBUTTAL TESTIMONY OF MS.
2 JODI JERICH CONCERNING RESERVE MARGINS AND EXCESS
3 CAPACITY? PLEASE COMMENT.

4 A44. Yes. Ms. Jerich acknowledges that water systems cannot be designed and
5 constructed to serve the exact number of customers in any sort of economically
6 efficient manner.⁶⁰ As such, she acknowledges that a reserve margin is necessary
7 to address the “real world dilemma that utilities face in balancing the need to
8 accommodate growth without over building”.⁶¹ The Company agrees with Ms.
9 Jerich on these points. Ms. Jerich, however, dismisses the Commission’s long-
10 standing 5 year planning horizon policy for determining a reasonable reserve
11 margin as merely representing an “engineering approach”.⁶² Admittedly, the 5 year
12 planning horizon standard’s underpinnings are based upon real world engineering
13 and the practicalities of planning, designing, and constructing water systems. This
14 is how it should be. Otherwise, you end up with contrived and arbitrary methods
15 for determining excess capacity that have no basis in reality. The storage capacity
16 analysis on the storage tank at Water Plant #3 discussed earlier is a perfect
17 example. The real world engineering analysis of the storage tank demonstrates that
18 even using RUCO’s so called “reserve margin” customer base of 733 customers
19 (one year post test year end number of customers plus 10 % reserve margin⁶³) the
20 required storage capacity is 91.8% of the usable capacity. Yet, RUCO’s method
21 allows for 64.2% of the cost of storage capacity.

22 That said, the 5 year planning horizon standard is more than a mere

23 ⁶⁰ See Surrebuttal Testimony of Jodi A. Jerich (“Jerich Sb.”) at 13.

24 ⁶¹ *Id.*

25 ⁶² Jerich Sb. at 15.

26 ⁶³ Coley Sb. at 19.

1 engineering approach even though its underpinnings are engineering related. There
2 are at least three other important aspects to this standard. First, it encourages
3 utilities to construct plant in a prudent and economically efficient manner which
4 over the long-term reduces costs and ultimately the impact on rate payers. Second,
5 it helps to minimize the uncertainty with respect to the recognition of capital when
6 those investments are made. Finally, it increases the ability of utility companies to
7 raise capital; capital which is needed in order to enable utilities to provide safe and
8 reliable utility service.

9
10 **Q45. WHAT MESSAGE WOULD IT SEND TO INVESTORS AND UTILITIES**
11 **IN THIS STATE IF THE COMMISSION ABANDONS IN LONG-**
12 **STANDING POLICY OF USING A FIVE YEAR PLANNING HORIZON?**

13 A45. As I stated in my rebuttal testimony, such a policy would discourage utilities from
14 making investments to proactively address the needs of its customers. Further, it
15 places utilities in the proverbial "catch-22" whereby regulators (ADEQ, ADWR)
16 and sound engineering practices demand certain investments to be made while this
17 Commission only recognizes a portion of that investment.⁶⁴ Just as important,
18 however, is that investors and utilities that have relied on this policy when making
19 investment decisions in the past would be dealt an unfair and dire hand.
20 Arbitrarily changing the rules of the road with respect to utility investment in mid-
21 stream would not only be unfair, but would have drastic consequences on the
22 ability of utilities to raise capital and on the cost of capital itself. Uncertainty on
23 investments increases risk which in turn increases capital costs. Ultimately, it will
24 be the rate payers that will face bearing the higher cost of plant and the higher cost
25 of capital if this policy were simply thrown out the door for expediency.

26 ⁶⁴ Bourassa Rb. at 12.

1 **Q46. HAVE YOU REVIEWED THE SURREBUTTAL TESTIMONY OF MS.**
2 **JODI JERICH CONCERNING THE CONCEPTS OF PRUDENCY AND**
3 **USED AND USEFULNESS? PLEASE COMMENT.**

4 A46. Yes. The Company does not disagree with RUCO that the concepts of prudency
5 and used and usefulness are separate concepts. But, these two concepts are
6 interrelated concepts, particularly in the context ratemaking in Arizona and in the
7 context of this rate case. Prudency is typically taken to be synonymous with used
8 and useful. This is what I believe was the basis for the comments from Mr. Olea I
9 quoted in my rebuttal testimony.⁶⁵ Let me explain why prudent and use and useful
10 are synonymous in the context of this rate case. It was prudent for the Company to
11 design, plan, and construct its water system in an economic and efficient manner
12 which meets all regulatory requirements and which can reliably and safely serve its
13 customers. Even RUCO does not dispute this. In any case, these objectives are
14 sound and reasonable objectives of all well managed utilities. Prudency demands
15 the use of a reasonable planning horizon in order to accomplish those objectives.
16 The benchmark for a reasonable planning period has historically been 5 years. It is
17 this time period which RUCO appears to dispute and seeks to redefine. Having
18 said that, the 5 year planning horizon policy is where the concept of prudency and
19 the concept of used and usefulness intersect and are interrelated. The Company,
20 having acted prudently using a realistic and reasonable planning horizon,
21 constructed a water system that necessarily has capacity over and above that which
22 was needed to serve the exact number of customers at the end of the test year (but
23 with sufficient capacity to serve customers within a 5 year planning horizon). This
24 does not mean this "extra" capacity is not used and useful capacity. This "extra"
25 capacity is "reserve capacity" which has been deemed used and useful capacity by

26 ⁶⁵ Bourassa Rb. at 11.

1 this Commission in the past. Any capacity beyond a 5 year planning horizon is
2 "excess capacity" and has been deemed imprudent and not used and useful.
3

4 **Q47. PLEASE COMMENT ON THE GOLD CANYON SEWER RATE CASE**
5 **WHICH MS. JERICH DISCUSSES ON PAGE 21 OF HER SURREBUTTAL**
6 **TESTIMONY.**

7 A47. In the *Gold Canyon Sewer Company* ("Gold Canyon") (Rehearing Decision 70624,
8 November 19, 2008) which Ms. Jerich cites, the Commission determined that there
9 was excess capacity and the excess capacity was disallowed in rate base.⁶⁶ The
10 mention of prudence is conspicuously absent from the language in the concluding
11 paragraph in the Decision. By inference, the Commission concluded the excess
12 capacity costs were imprudent. I form this view because in Decision 69664 (June
13 28, 2007), the Commission rejected RUCO's argument for excess capacity and
14 found that the upgrade costs of the wastewater treatment facility at Gold Canyon
15 were prudent and recognized that investment in rate base. As the Commission
16 stated in that decision:

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18 Based on the evidence presented in this case, we disagree with
19 RUCO's proposal to disallow a portion of the Company's upgraded
20 treatment plant as excess capacity. Simply put, RUCO cannot have
21 it both ways. If the decision to upgrade the plant to a capacity of 1.9
22 mgd was prudent, as RUCO concedes, Gold Canyon should not be
23 subjected to a purely mathematical after-the-fact disallowance
24 without consideration of the engineering analyses and the context of
25 the events surrounding the decision to increase plant capacity to its
26 current level.⁶⁷

25 ⁶⁶ Decision 70624 at 9.

26 ⁶⁷ Decision 69664 at 6-7.

1 **Q48. PLEASE COMMENT THE ARIZONA WATER COMPANY RATE CASE**
2 **WHICH MS. JERICH DISCUSSES ON PAGE 21 OF HER SURREBUTTAL**
3 **TESTIMONY.**

4 A48. The facts and circumstances in the *Arizona Water Company* ("Arizona Water") rate
5 case (Decision 64282, December 8, 2001) have no bearing on the facts and
6 circumstances in the instant case. As I understand it, Arizona Water had installed a
7 new steel casing under a highway to serve a subdivision. However, this casing was
8 not connected to the Company's water system and there was an existing water line
9 in place.⁶⁸ Arguably, this plant was not even in service and could not reasonably
10 be considered used and useful.

11
12 **Q49. PLEASE COMMENT THE PIMA UTILITY COMPANY CASE WHICH**
13 **MS. JERICH ALSO DISCUSSES ON PAGE 21-22 OF HER**
14 **SURREBUTTAL TESTIMONY.**

15 A49. Again, the facts and circumstances in the *Pima Utility Company* ("Pima Utility
16 Company") rate case (Decision 58743, August 11, 1994) have no bearing on the
17 facts and circumstances in the instant case. In that case, the Commission addressed
18 the inclusion of CWIP in rate base. CWIP, by its very nature, is a distinct class of
19 plant, and does not provide a relevant comparison to the instant case. Moreover, in
20 that case, the Commission found that the subject plant was built only to serve
21 future customers and that it was not being used at all.⁶⁹ In the instant case, the
22 evidence shows that GWC prudently constructed its plant and that plant was in
23 service and serving customers as of the end of the test year.

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25 ⁶⁸ Decision 64282 at 9.

26 ⁶⁹ Decision No. 58743 at 4-5.

1 **Q50. PLEASE COMMENT THE LITCHFIELD PARK SERVICE COMPANY**
2 **RATE CASES WHICH MS. JERICH DISCUSSES ON PAGE 22 OF HER**
3 **SURREBUTTAL TESTIMONY.**

4 A50. RUCO's reliance on *Litchfield Park Service Co.* ("LPSCO") rate case in Decision
5 50273 (September 20, 1979) also does not support the disallowance of prudently
6 built plant sought in this rate case. There, the Commission issued an accounting
7 order and held that only 50% of the cost of a new treatment facility should be
8 included in rate base because only 50% of the plant was being utilized.⁷⁰ There is
9 little discussion and no findings of fact to explain the actions of the utility in
10 building the plant, nor does it appear that the utility disagreed or that the remaining
11 50% of the plant was used and useful. In fact, nearly 10 years later, LPSCO did
12 not challenge Staff's recommendation (adopted by the Commission) to continue
13 the disallowance because the plant was still not being utilized.⁷¹ Again, the plant at
14 issue in this case was prudently built and is used and useful as it is the capacity
15 needed to service customers over a reasonable planning horizon of five years.

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17 **Q51. ULTIMATELY ISN'T RUCO SUGGESTING THE PLANT WAS NOT**
18 **PRUDENTLY CONSTRUCTED AND THEREFORE NOT USED AND**
19 **USEFUL?**

20 A51. Yes. Despite Ms. Jerich's lengthy discussion on the meaning the terms "prudent"
21 and "used and useful", ultimately it boils down to a question of prudence. This is
22 evidenced by the fact that Mr. Coley questions whether the Company acted
23 prudently when it built the plant.⁷² In this case, RUCO ultimately seeks to

24 ⁷⁰ Decision No. 50273 at 2.

25 ⁷¹ *Litchfield Park Service Co.*, Decision No. 56362 (February 22, 1989).

26 ⁷² Coley Sb. at 34.

1 challenge the prudence of the Company's actions with respect to the construction
2 of its system by redefining the measurement of the reserve margin. In other words,
3 RUCO seeks to impose a two year planning horizon using an after-the-fact analysis
4 in place of the long-standing policy of a 5 year planning horizon.

5 6. Response to Schoemperlen's Surrebuttal Testimony on Excess
6 Capacity

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8 **Q52. HAVE YOU REVIEWED MR. SCHOEMPERLEN'S MODIFIED EXCESS**
9 **CAPACITY ADJUSTMENT METHODOLOGY AND RATIONALE AND SET**
10 **FORTH IN HIS SURREBUTTAL TESTIMONY? PLEASE COMMENT.**

11 A52. Yes. I have reviewed the methodology and the rationale underlying that
12 methodology as presented by Mr. Schoemperlen and find that, like the RUCO
13 approach, his approach to excess capacity has no rationale relationship to the
14 amount of plant necessary to serve customers. Further, like RUCO, Mr.
15 Schoemperlen seeks to change the Commission's long standing policy regarding a
16 5 year planning horizon which exists, in part, to promote efficient and economical
17 construction of water systems which ultimately results in lower costs to rate payers.

18 **Q53. PLEASE BRIEFLY EXPLAIN MR. SCHOEMPERLEN'S METHODOLOGY**
19 **FOR DETERMINING EXCESS CAPACITY.**

20 A53. Mr. Schoemperlen focuses his adjustment on the Phase IV and V costs and in
21 particular on the Company funded portion of these costs. As shown on
22 Schoemperlen Surrebuttal Schedule M, the total of the apportioned Phase IV and V
23 costs used as the basis of his computation is \$755,560. The \$755,560 is then
24 multiplied by Mr. Schoemperlen's unused capacity factor of 85% and then
25 multiplied by 90% to account for reserve capacity. Mr. Schoemperlen's computed
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1 adjustment to PIS is \$578,003 ($\$755,560 \times 85\% \times 90\%$).

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3 **Q54. HOW DID MR. SCHOEMPERLEN'S COMPUTE THE UNUSED**
4 **CAPACITY OF 85 PERCENT?**

5 A54. First, Mr. Schoemperlen computes the percentage of "used" lots as of February 20,
6 2011 by dividing the total of the "used" lots for Phase IV-B, IVC, a future phase,
7 and "unplanned capacity" (capacity for Eagle Crest West) or 105 lots by the total
8 lots planned for Phase IV-B, IVC, a future phase, and "unplanned capacity"
9 (capacity for Eagle Crest West) or 701 lots.⁷³ The percentage of used capacity he
10 computes is 15% ($105/701 \times 100$). The percentage of unused lots is therefore 85%
11 (100% - 15%).
12

13 **Q55. WHAT'S WRONG WITH THIS METHODOLOGY?**

14 A55. First, Mr. Schoemperlen includes the "unplanned capacity" of 330 lots⁷⁴ for the
15 Eagle Crest West development. However, he has already removed the storage
16 tank-up sizing costs which were for this development as part of a separate PIS
17 adjustment that he proposes. Recall the \$132,677 of storage tank up sizing cost Mr.
18 Schoemperlen proposes to disallow.⁷⁵ That said, the 330 lots should be excluded
19 from his total of 701 planned lots since there is no capacity costs for these lots.
20 Second, Mr. Schoemperlen includes \$72,350 of storage tank up-sizing costs in the
21 total of his apportioned costs for Phase IV and V of \$755,560. He effectively
22 double counts the costs of the tank over-sizing in his computations.

23 ⁷³ See Schoemperlen Surrebuttal Schedule N.

24 ⁷⁴ The Eagle Crest West Development is a future commercial development with planned required
25 capacity of 330 equivalent dwelling units ("EDU's"). It is assumed that "lots" and "EDU's" as
the same for purposes of Mr. Schoemperlen's analysis.

26 ⁷⁵ See Schoemperlen Surrebuttal Schedule M.

1 **Q56. PLEASE EXPLAIN WHY MR. SCHOEMPERLEN'S METHODOLOGY HAS**
2 **NO RATIONAL RELATIONSHIP TO THE AMOUNT OF PLANT**
3 **NECESSARY TO SERVE CUSTOMERS.**

4 A56. Let's start with the storage tank at Water Plant #3 and assume for the moment that
5 Mr. Schoemperlen's customer base of 745 is used as the allowed basis of
6 customers including a reserve margin.⁷⁶ Following the Staff engineering witness's
7 analysis of required capacity that appears at Exhibit MSJ of Mr. Scott's surrebuttal
8 testimony, and using 745 customers instead of 875 customers, the required capacity
9 for the storage tank is 275,350 gallons which happens to be 92.7% of the usable
10 capacity (7.3% excess). Based on Mr. Schoemperlen methodology the excess
11 capacity of the storage tank is computed as 76.5% (85% x 90%).
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13 **Q57. PLEASE EXPLAIN HOW YOU DETERMINED THE 273,350 GALLONS**
14 **OF REQUIRED CAPACITY AND THE 92.7 PERCENT?**

15 A57. Similar to the previous analysis of excess capacity described previously and
16 following the analysis in Exhibit MSJ of Mr. Scott's testimony consider the
17 following:
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- 19 1. The required storage capacity is 411,350. This amount is calculated by the fire
20 flow requirement (240,000 GDP) plus the demand at 745 customers of 171,350
21 GPD (230 GPD/connection x 745 connections)
- 22 2. The entire 400,000 gallon storage tank, with 316,000 of usable capacity, is
23 needed because both wells pump into this tank and this tank serves as the
24 chlorination contact chamber. In addition, this tank serves as the main storage

25 ⁷⁶ The 745 is the sum of the 572 used lots for Phase I, II, III, and IVA and the 105 used lots for
26 Phase IVB, IVC, and V and a 10% reserve margin (572 + 105 = 677 plus 677 x 10%).

1 for fire flow protection for the majority of the water system.

2 3. The estimate of the required storage capacity of 411,350 is more than the
3 316,000 gallons of usable capacity by 95,350 gallons.

4 4. To determine how much of the 600,000 gallon storage tank, with 487,000
5 gallons of usage capacity, is needed, consider the fire flow of 180,000 gallons
6 (1,500 GPM at 2 hours) for the K-Zone customers plus the 95,350 gallons
7 totaling to 275,350 gallons of required capacity.

8 5. The 275,350 of required capacity is 56.5% of the 487,000 gallons of usable
9 capacity. However, the Company has removed the cost for the 190,000 gallon
10 up-sizing of the storage tank and this capacity is not part of the rate case, which
11 would reduce the usable tank capacity to 297,000 gallons (487,000 – 190,000).
12 The 275,350 gallons required is 92.7% of the 297,000 gallons of usable tank
13 capacity (275,350 / 297,000 x 100).
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15 **Q58. HOW MUCH OF THE STORAGE TANK COST DOES RUCO SEEK TO**
16 **DISALLOW?**

17 A58. \$414,959. This is the total cost of the storage tank including up-sizing or \$542,430
18 (\$470,080 + \$72,350)⁷⁷ times 76.5%. But remember, as I pointed out earlier Mr.
19 Schoemperlen proposes a separate adjustment for the storage tank up-sizing of
20 \$132,677. The total cost Mr. Schoemperlen seeks to remove is \$547,636
21 (\$414,958 + \$132,677) which is more than the total cost of the storage tank
22 including the upsizing cost of \$542,430. Mr. Schoemperlen seeks to remove over
23 100% of the cost of this storage tank when a real world engineering analysis shows
24 that 92.7% of this tank is used and useful and required to serve customers.
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26 ⁷⁷ See Schoemperlen Surrebuttal Schedule M.

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2 **Q59. WHAT WOULD BE THE TOTAL ADJUSTMENT TO RATE BASE**
3 **ASSUMING 92.7% USED CAPACITY OR 7.3% UNUSED CAPACITY OF**
4 **THE STORAGE TANK AT PLANT #3 AND WHAT WOULD THE RATE**
5 **BASE?**

6 A59. The total of the adjustment would be \$122,224 (\$34,315 + \$15,559 + \$72,350).
7 Let me explain. Only 7.3% of the storage tank cost of \$470,080 should be
8 removed from rate base or \$34,315 (7.3% x 470,080).⁷⁸ Further, applying the 7.3%
9 to the \$41,624, \$171,506 apportioned land and structures and improvement costs,
10 respectively⁷⁹, leads to an additional adjustment of \$15,559 (7.3% x \$41,624 +
11 7.3% x \$171,506). Finally, the \$72,350 of tank over-sizing costs should be
12 removed from rate base.

13 Following the rate base formulation set forth in Mr. Schoemperlen's
14 Surrebuttal Schedule M the rate base would be \$1,883,345 and not \$1,317,239 as
15 shown on Mr. Schoemperlen's Surrebuttal Schedule M. The computation of the
16 \$1,883,345 rate base is as follows:

17 Re-calculation of Schoemperlen Adjusted Rate Base

18 Bourassa Calculated Fair Value Rate Base (Sched. A-1, P-1)	\$ 2,397,419
19 Staff Adjustment for GWC error in including ECR-West capacity	\$ (72,350)
20 Staff Adjustment for GWC Non-Arms Length Purchase of Land	\$ (369,500)
21 Excess Capacity Adjustment	<u>\$ (122,224)</u>
22 Net Fair Value Rate Base	<u>\$ 1,833,345</u>

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25 ⁷⁸ *Id.*

26 ⁷⁹ *Id.*

1 Q60. PLEASE RESPOND TO MR. SHOEMPERLEN'S TESTIMONY THAT THE
2 COMPANY DID NOT ACT PRUDENTLY BECAUSE IT DID NOT
3 PREPARE A FINANCIAL ANALYSIS BEFORE UNDERTAKING OF THE
4 STORAGE TANK COST DOES RUCO SEEK TO DISALLOW?

5 A60. I am not sure exactly what Mr. Schoemperlen was looking for in terms of a
6 "financial analysis". But, whatever Mr. Schoemperlen is seeking in terms of a
7 financial analysis it does not mean that the Company did not act in a prudent
8 manner. Mr. Shiner describes in detail the planning, designing, funding and the
9 decision making involved in the construction of its water system throughout his
10 rebuttal testimony. Mr. Shiner further addresses this aspect of Mr. Schoemperlen's
11 testimony in his rejoinder testimony.

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13 IV. INCOME STATEMENT

14 Q61. WOULD YOU PLEASE DISCUSS THE COMPANY'S PROPOSED
15 REJOINDER ADJUSTMENTS TO REVENUES AND EXPENSES AND
16 IDENTIFY ANY ADJUSTMENTS YOU HAVE ACCEPTED FROM STAFF
17 AND/OR RUCO?

18 A61. The Company's proposed rejoinder adjustments are detailed on Rejoinder Schedule
19 C-2, pages 1-8. The rejoinder income statement with adjustments is summarized
20 on Rejoinder Schedule C-1, page 1-2. The changes/revisions since the Company's
21 rebuttal filing include a revision to the assessment ratio in the property tax
22 computation.

23 Rejoinder adjustment 1 increases depreciation and amortization expense.
24 Depreciation and amortization expense reflects the Company's proposed
25 adjustments to plant-in-service.

1 Rejoinder adjustment number 2 adjusts property tax expense to reflect the
2 rejoinder adjusted revenues. As mentioned earlier, the assessment ratio was
3 revised from 21% to 20% from the rebuttal filing. The Company's proposed
4 assessment ratio and property tax rates are the same as Staff's. Further, the
5 Company's computed adjusted year property tax expense is the same as Staff's.

6 Rejoinder adjustment number 3 increases annual rate case expense. The
7 Company is proposing total rate case expense of \$160,000 amortized over 4 years
8 or \$40,000 per year. Staff has adopted the Company's proposed rate case expense
9 of \$160,000, but normalized over 4 years or \$40,000 annually.⁸⁰ RUCO continues
10 to propose rate case expense of \$80,000 amortized over 4 years or \$20,000 per
11 year.⁸¹

12 Rejoinder adjustment 4 increases revenues to the annualized amount based
13 on the year-end number of customers. Staff and RUCO have adopted the
14 Company proposes revenue annualization adjustment.⁸²

15 Rejoinder adjustment 5 increases water testing expense by \$1,568 to the
16 level recommended by Staff.⁸³ RUO has also adopted this adjustment.

17 Rejoinder adjustment 6 adjusts purchased power based on the Company's
18 revenue annualization. Both Staff and RUCO have adopted this adjustment.⁸⁴

19 Rejoinder adjustment 7 synchronizes interest expense with the Company's
20 rebuttal proposed rate base. Both Staff and RUCO interest synchronize interest
21 expense with their respective proposed rate bases.

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23 ⁸⁰ Fox Sb. at 26.

24 ⁸¹ Coley Sb. at X.

25 ⁸² Fox Sb. at 25; Coley Sb. at 43.

26 ⁸³ Fox Sb. at 27.

⁸⁴ Fox Sb. at 33; Coley Sb. at 43.

1 Rejoinder Adjustment 8 computes income taxes based upon the Company
2 proposed rejoinder revenue and expense. As you will recall, in the Company's
3 rebuttal filing, I adopted Staff's method of computing the adjusted test year income
4 taxes and computation of the gross-up factor primarily to eliminate issues of
5 comparability of the test year level of adjusted operating expenses and adjusted
6 operating income.

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8 **A. Response to Staff's Surrebuttal Testimony on Rate Case Expense**

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10 **Q62. STAFF PROPOSES TO NORMALIZE RATE CASE EXPENSE RATHER**
11 **THAN AMORTIZE RATE CASE EXPENSE. PLEASE EXPLAN THE**
12 **DIFFERENCE AND WHY AMORTIZATION IS THE APPROPRIATE**
13 **METHOD.**

14 **A62.** Normalization refers to setting an expense level to an amount expected to be
15 incurred on an annual basis. The actual expense incurred may be higher or lower
16 than the normalization amount, but over time it is assumed that average actual
17 expense will converge to the normalized level. Amortization refers the "expensing"
18 of a prepaid asset over the expect benefit period. Amortizing an asset over its
19 expected benefit period insures the proper matching of expenses with revenues.
20 This in essence is the Matching Principle which underlies Generally Accepted Rate
21 making Principle ("GAAP") accrual accounting. Rate case expense is incurred
22 long before the new rates are put into effect. Therefore, rate case expense is a
23 prepaid expense that must be recorded as an asset and amortized. Staff's position
24 in this case is a violation of GAAP and should be rejected.

1 B. Response to RUCO's Surrebuttal Testimony on Rate Case Expense

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3 **Q63. PLEASE COMMENT ON MS. JERICH'S SURREBUTTAL TESTIMONY**
4 **REGARDING RATE CASE EXPENSE.**

5 A63. It is unfortunate that Ms. Jerich calls my rebuttal testimony on rate case expense
6 "specious and inflammatory".⁸⁵ I simply stated the facts.⁸⁶ Let's take them one at
7 a time. First, I stated that the Company's original estimate of \$80,000 of rate case
8 expense did not contemplate RUCO's involvement in this case as RUCO typically
9 does not get involved in Class C and smaller rate case.⁸⁷ Ms. Jerich does not
10 dispute this statement. Further, I never made any statement about whether or not
11 RUCO could or should intervene in this rate case. Second, I stated that RUCO's
12 intervention has and will cause a significant increase in rate case expense.⁸⁸ Ms.
13 Jerich does not dispute this fact. Third, I stated that the Company had incurred
14 more than \$84,000 of rate case expense through the end of March 2010.⁸⁹ This
15 amount was already higher than the Company's initial estimate of \$80,000 for the
16 entire rate case. And, this amount did not include the costs of preparing rebuttal
17 and rejoinder testimony, the hearing as well as post-hearing briefing.⁹⁰ Ms. Jerich
18 does not dispute this testimony either.

19 The facts are that the number of intervenors and the positions of the parties
20 in any given rate case directly impacts the level of rate case expense. Whether the
21 positions of the parties supported by the credible evidence in the case or not, the

22 ⁸⁵ Jerich Sb. at 4.

23 ⁸⁶ Bourassa Rb. at 33.

24 ⁸⁷ *Id.*

25 ⁸⁸ *Id.*

26 ⁸⁹ *Id.*

⁹⁰ *Id.*

1 Company must respond in order to protect its rights and the integrity of the
2 process. Further, hearings take longer and are more costly because there are more
3 witnesses to cross examine. In addition, the post-hearing briefings are generally
4 more costly because of the number of issues that remain after hearing. All this
5 additional work directly impacts rate case expense.
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7 **Q64. DOES THE COMPANY CONTROL THE PROCESS BY WHICH UTILITY**
8 **COMPANIES CHANGE THEIR RATES?**

9 A64. No. It is the Commission that dictates the process and the Company has no control
10 over the number of intervenors or the positions that they take. It would be patently
11 unfair for this Commission to deny recovery of a reasonable amount of rate case
12 expense given the facts and circumstances.
13

14 **Q65. HOW MUCH RATE CASE EXPENSE HAS THE COMPANY INCURRED**
15 **THUS FAR IN THE RATE CASE?**

16 A65. Through June 15, 2011, the Company has incurred over \$155,000 of rate case
17 expense. The Company anticipates that rate case expense will exceed \$200,000 so
18 it will absorb a substantial portion of the cost of this rate case.
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20 **Q66. SHOULD THE COMPANY HAVE ANTICIPATED THE ISSUE OF**
21 **EXCESS CAPACITY AND THE INTERVENTION OF RUCO IN ITS**
22 **INITIAL ESTIMATE?**

23 A66. I don't think it matters whether or not the Company should have anticipated
24 RUCO's involvement or that excess capacity would become a major issue with one
25 of the parties. The fact of the matter is that it did not. Had the Company
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1 anticipated these events, its initial estimate of rate case expense would have been
2 much higher, perhaps on the order of \$150,000 to \$200,000.

3 The Company certainly did not anticipate the involvement of RUCO for the
4 reason stated previously.
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6 **A67. DID RUCO PARTICIPATE IN THE COMPANY'S 2005 RATE CASE?**

7 A67. No. In the Company's prior rate case (2005) the Company sought an increase of
8 over 150%.
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10 **Q68. PLEASE CONTINUE.**

11 A68. The Company also did not anticipate an issue of over excess capacity. The
12 Company constructed its system in a prudent manner and in conformance with its
13 reasonable expectations of customer growth. As it turns out, Staff finds the
14 storage tank at Water Plant #3 (adjusted for over-sizing) to be used and useful.
15 With respect to some of the mains that Staff seeks to exclude because Staff
16 believes that they are not used and useful. I believe that facts do not support the
17 Staff position. Regardless, at best, Staff is seeking to remove \$128,600 of mains
18 under the position that the plant is not used and useful (and by implication excess
19 capacity). But these mains were funded by AIAC and the rate base impact is zero.

20 Even if the Company should have anticipated an issue with respect to excess
21 capacity, it certainly could not have anticipated RUCO's contrived and
22 unsupported excess capacity adjustment methodology and recommendation.
23

24 **Q69. PLEASE RESPOND TO MS. JERICH'S SURREBUTTAL TESTIMONY ON**
25 **PAGE 6 THAT THE STAFF REPORT ON THE HOOK-UP FEES**
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1 INDICATING THAT THE COMPANY HAD CAPACITY TO SERVE 1,800
2 CUSTOMERS SHOULD HAVE PLACED THE COMPANY ON NOTICE
3 THAT THERE WAS GOING TO BE AN ISSUE OF EXCESS CAPACITY
4 IN THIS RATE CASE.

5 A69. That's non-sense. First, I point you to my previous testimony on anticipation of
6 excess capacity. Second, the Staff report rejecting the Company's request for a
7 hook-up fee contained no detailed engineering analysis by Staff. I will leave it up
8 to Staff to support this figure. Third, the HUF Application "case" was not litigated.
9 There was no hearing or testimony in that "case". The Company was ordered to
10 file for a HUF.⁹¹ It did not do so voluntarily. Ultimately, the Company did not
11 wish to challenge Staff's recommendation. This was because the Company already
12 had a high proportion of zero cost capital funding its plant and a HUF would
13 undoubtedly increase that proportion which would have been financially unhealthy
14 over the long-term.⁹²

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16 Q70. DO YOU HAVE ANY FINAL COMMENTS IN RESPONSE TO MS.
17 JERICH'S SURREBUTTAL TESTIMONY REGARDING RATE CASE
18 EXPENSE.

19 A70. Yes. An additional fact, which cannot be disputed by RUCO, is that GWC is a
20 small utility that does not have unlimited financial resources. The amount of rate
21 case expense in this case will have a material financial impact on the Company no
22 matter was it is allowed to recover. Rate case expense is paid for upfront before
23 new rates are put into effect and then recovered over a period of years. This has a
24 detrimental impact on cash flows; cash flows that could otherwise be used to pay

25 ⁹¹ Decision 69404 at

26 ⁹² Bourassa Rb. 24-25.

1 for utility operations and capital projects. The higher the unrecovered portion rate
2 case expense only exacerbates the detrimental financial impact.

3 Finally, I would note that the Company was authorized rate case expense of
4 \$100,000 in its last rate case. While there were different factors at play in that rate
5 case, that rate case was far less controversial than this rate case.

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7 **C. Response to RUCO's Surrebuttal Testimony on Salaries and Wages**
8 **and Contractual Services**

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10 **Q71. PLEASE COMMENT ON MR. COLEY'S SURRBUTTAL TESTIMONY**
11 **CONCERNING SALARIES AND WAGES AND CONTRACTUAL**
12 **SERIVCES.**

13 71. Mr. Coley's position does not rest on whether the compensation levels of both Mr.
14 Sears and Mr. Shiner are reasonable given their respective responsibilities and
15 services to Goodman, rather that RUCO does not like the fact that the increases the
16 Company has proposed amount to 25 percent.⁹³ This is an absurd standard. It
17 should not matter what percentage of increase is required to bring the
18 compensation to levels that are fair and reasonable. Under RUCO reasoning, if Mr.
19 Sears was paid \$39,000 for the test year rather than \$32,000 and the Company
20 proposed an increase of \$1,000 to \$40,000 (the Company proposed amount in the
21 instant case), the percentage of increase would have been only about 2.5 percent.
22 Would that level of increase be acceptable to Mr. Coley?

23 The fact of the matter is that even at the levels of compensation proposed by
24 the Company in this case, both Mr. Sears and Mr. Shiner are vastly under

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26 ⁹³ Coley Sb. at 46.

1 compensated.⁹⁴ The levels of compensation proposed by the Company are more
2 than fair and reasonable and should be adopted.

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4 **V. RATE DESIGN**

5 **Q72. WHAT ARE THE COMPANY'S REJOINDER PROPOSED RATES?**

6 A72. The rejoinder proposed rates are listed below.

7 All Classes

8 Meter	9 Monthly	10 Gallons included
9 <u>Size</u>	11 <u>Minimum</u>	12 <u>in Monthly Minimum</u>
10 5/8	11 \$ 52.20	12 0
11 3/4	12 \$ 78.30	13 0
12 1	13 \$ 130.50	14 0
13 1 1/2	14 \$ 261.01	15 0
14 2	15 \$ 417.61	16 0
15 3	16 \$ 835.22	17 0
16 4	17 \$1,305.04	18 0
17 6	18 \$2,610.07	19 0

18 The commodity charges and tiers by meter size are:

19 Residential, Commercial and Irrigation Class

20	Meter		Charge
21	<u>Size</u>	<u>Tier (gallons)</u>	<u>per 1,000 gallons</u>
22	5/8x3/4 Inch	1 to 4,000	\$ 6.28
23		4,001 to 10,000	\$11.27
24		Over 10,000	\$13.41

26 ⁹⁴ Bourassa Rb. at 36-38

1	3/4 Inch	1 to 4,000	\$ 6.28
2		4,001 to 9,000	\$11.27
3		Over 9,000	\$13.41
4	1 Inch	1 to 22,500	\$11.27
5		Over 22,500	\$13.41
6	1 1/2 Inch	1 to 34,000	\$11.27
7		Over 34,000	\$13.41
8	2 Inch	1 to 45,000	\$11.27
9		Over 45,000	\$13.41
10	3 Inch	1 to 68,000	\$11.27
11		Over 68,000	\$13.41
12	4 Inch	1 to 90,000	\$11.27
13		Over 90,000	\$13.41
14	6 Inch	1 to 135,000	\$11.27
15		Over 135,000	\$13.41
16	<u>Standpipe (Construction)</u>		
17	All Meter Sizes	All gallons	\$13.41

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19 **Q73. WHAT IS THE IMPACT OF THE COMPANY'S REJOINDER PROPOSED**

20 **RATES ON AN AVERAGE 5/8x3/4 INCH METERED RESIDENTIAL**

21 **CUSTOMER?**

22 A73. The present monthly bill for a 5/8x3/4 inch metered residential customer using an

23 average of 5,520 gallons is \$66.98. The proposed monthly bill for a 5/8x3/4 inch

24 metered residential customer using an average of 5,520 gallons would be \$94.16,

25 an increase of \$27.18 or 40.57 percent compared to the present rates.

1 **Q74. WHAT IS THE IMPACT OF THE COMPANY'S REJOINDER PROPOSED**
2 **RATES ON AN AVERAGE 3/4 INCH METERED RESIDENTIAL**
3 **CUSTOMER?**

4 A74. The present monthly bill for a 3/4 inch metered residential customer using an
5 average of 6,028 gallons is \$91.08. The proposed monthly bill for a 5/8 inch
6 metered residential customer using an average of 6,028 gallons would be \$125.83,
7 an increase of \$34.75 or 38.15 percent compared to the present rates.
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9 **Q75. PLEASE COMMENT ON THE STAFF PROPOSED RATE DESIGN.**

10 A75. Like the Company, Staff is proposing an inverted three tier design for the smaller
11 metered residential customers (5/8 inch and 3/4 inch) and an inverted two tier design
12 for the small commercial metered customers (5/8 inch and 3/4 inch), as well as 1
13 inch and larger metered customers (all classes), with the exception of 1 inch
14 residential and construction water. The break-over points are the same for both
15 Staff and the Company. In terms of revenue recovery from the monthly
16 minimums, the Staff rate design is similar to the Company's, although the
17 Company shifts more revenue recovery to the commodity rates than does Staff's.
18 Under the Staff rate design approximately 57.5% of revenues are recovered from
19 the monthly minimums whereas under the Company proposed rate design
20 approximately 53.3% of revenues are recovered from the monthly minimums. In
21 terms of revenue recovery from the month minimum and the first tier commodity
22 rates, Staff's rate design recovers approximately 75% from the monthly minimum
23 and first tier commodity rate while the Company's rate design recovers
24 approximately 73.9%.
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1 **Q76. PLEASE COMMENT ON THE RUCO PROPOSED RATE DESIGN.**

2 A76. Like the Company, RUCO is proposing an inverted three tier design for the smaller
3 metered residential customers (5/8 inch and 3/4 inch) and an inverted two tier design
4 for the small commercial metered customers (5/8 inch and 3/4 inch), as well as 1
5 inch and larger metered customers (all classes), with the exception of 1 inch
6 residential and construction water. The break-over points are the same for both
7 RUCO and the Company. In terms of revenue recovery from the monthly
8 minimums, the RUCO rate design is similar to the Company's although the
9 Company shifts more revenue recovery to the commodity rates than does RUCO's.
10 Under the RUCO rate design approximately 55.4% of revenues are recovered from
11 the monthly minimums, whereas under the Company proposed rate design
12 approximately 53.3% of revenues are recovered from the monthly minimums. In
13 terms of revenue recovery from the month minimum and the first tier commodity
14 rates, RUCO's rate design recovers approximately 76.4% from the monthly
15 minimum and first tier commodity rate while the Company's rate design recovers
16 approximately 73.9%.

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18 **Q77. HAVE YOU PREPARED SCHEDULES SHOWING THE REVENUE**
19 **RECOVERY FROM THE MONTHLY MINIMUMS AND THE**
20 **COMMODITY RATES UNDER THE COMPANY'S, STAFF'S, AND**
21 **RUCO'S PROPOSED RATE DESIGNS?**

22 A77. Yes. Attached hereto at Rejoinder Exhibit TJB-RJ4 are schedules showing the
23 revenues recovered from the monthly minimums and commodity rates for all of the
24 parties rate designs.

1 **Q78. IS THERE ANY DISAGREEMENT BETWEEN THE STAFF AND THE**
2 **COMPANY REGARDING SERVICE LINE AND METER INSTALLATION**
3 **CHARGES?**

4 A78. No.
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6 **Q79. IS THERE ANY DISAGREEMENT BETWEEN THE STAFF AND THE**
7 **COMPANY REGARDING MISCELLANEOUS CHARGES?**

8 A79. No. The Company agrees with Staff to eliminate the turn on/off charge, the
9 Company agrees with Staff's proposal to eliminate the after-hours service charges
10 for establishment and reconnection but increase the after-hours charge for all
11 services to \$50 which would apply to both the establishment fee and the
12 reconnection fee.
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14 **Q80. DOES THAT CONCLUDE YOUR REJOINDER TESTIMONY?**

15 A80. Yes. Although my silence on any issue not discussed herein does not necessarily
16 constitute agreement with Staff, RUCO, Mr. Wawrzyniak or Mr. Schoemperlen as
17 to matters or arguments I have not addressed.
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Resolution Regarding Cost Allocation Guidelines for the Energy Industry

WHEREAS, There is ongoing concern regarding potential cross-subsidization between the regulated monopoly operations and the non-regulated businesses of electric and gas utilities; and

WHEREAS, Utilities are adopting various business strategies to adjust to the changing retail markets, including forming alliances and creating subsidiaries, divisions and partnerships to participate in non-regulated, competitive markets; and

WHEREAS, State utility commissions are examining and adopting various policies to monitor the competitive activities of regulated energy utilities; and

WHEREAS, State utility commissions are examining and adopting policies and rules concerning potential cross-subsidies between regulated utilities and non-regulated affiliates including pricing of assets, products and services; and

WHEREAS, The National Association of Regulatory Utility Commissioners (NARUC) requests the Staff Subcommittee on Accounts together with the Staff Subcommittees on Strategic Issues and Gas to prepare for NARUC's consideration, "Guidelines for Energy Cost Allocations"; and

WHEREAS, The Staff Subcommittee on Accounts together with the Staff Subcommittees on Gas and Strategic Issues have prepared for NARUC's consideration "Guidelines for Cost Allocations and Affiliate Transactions"; and

WHEREAS, Each State or Federal Regulatory commission may have unique situations and circumstances that govern affiliate transactions, cost allocations, and/or service or product pricing; and

WHEREAS, The "Guidelines for Cost Allocations and Affiliate Transactions" are to provide guidance to the states and are not intended to be rules or regulations prescribing how cost allocations and affiliate transactions are to be handled; and

WHEREAS, The Staff Subcommittees on Accounts, Strategic Issues and Gas should periodically review the Guidelines for Cost Allocations and Affiliate Transactions, taking into consideration the progression of competition in the electric and gas industries nationally, and report their findings, including proposed changes to the guidelines, if necessary, that promote efficiency in competitive energy markets while guarding against cross-subsidization by monopoly ratepayers; *now therefore be it*

RESOLVED, The Board of Directors of the of the National Association of Regulatory Utility Commissioners (NARUC), convened in its 1999 Summer Meeting in San Francisco, California adopts the attached "Guidelines for Cost Allocations and Affiliate Transactions"; *and be it further*

RESOLVED, The NARUC directs the Staff Subcommittees on Accounts, Strategic Issues and Gas, to review the Guidelines for Cost Allocation and Affiliate Transactions, taking into consideration the progression of competition in the electric and gas industries nationally and report their findings to NARUC, including proposed changes to the guidelines, if necessary, on or before January 1, 2001, and annually thereafter, *and be it further*

RESOLVED, The NARUC applauds and thanks the Staff Subcommittees on Accounts, Gas, and Strategic Issues for their excellent work in developing the guidelines.

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Attachment To Resolution Regarding Cost Allocation Guidelines for the Energy Industry "GUIDELINES FOR COST ALLOCATIONS AND AFFILIATE TRANSACTIONS"

"GUIDELINES FOR COST ALLOCATIONS AND AFFILIATE TRANSACTIONS"

The following Guidelines for Cost Allocations and Affiliate Transactions (Guidelines) are intended to provide guidance to jurisdictional regulatory authorities and regulated utilities and their affiliates in the development of procedures and recording of transactions for services and products between a regulated entity and affiliates. The prevailing premise of these Guidelines is that allocation methods should not result in subsidization of non-regulated services or products by regulated entities unless authorized by the jurisdictional regulatory authority. These Guidelines are not intended to be rules or regulations prescribing how cost allocations and affiliate transactions are to be handled. They are intended to provide a framework for regulated entities and regulatory authorities in the development of their own policies and procedures for cost allocations and affiliated transactions. Variation in regulatory environment may justify different cost allocation methods than those embodied in the Guidelines.

The Guidelines acknowledge and reference the use of several different practices and methods. It is intended that there be latitude in the application of these guidelines, subject to regulatory oversight. The implementation and compliance with these cost allocations and affiliate transaction guidelines, by regulated utilities under the authority of jurisdictional regulatory commissions, is subject to Federal and state law. Each state or Federal regulatory commission may have unique situations and circumstances that govern affiliate transactions, cost allocations, and/or service or product pricing standards. For example, The Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 requires registered holding company systems to price "at cost" the sale of goods and services and the undertaking of construction contracts between affiliate companies.

The Guidelines were developed by the NARUC Staff Subcommittee on Accounts in compliance with the Resolution passed on March 3, 1998 entitled "Resolution Regarding Cost Allocation for the Energy Industry" which directed the Staff Subcommittee on Accounts together with the Staff Subcommittees on Strategic Issues and Gas to prepare for NARUC's consideration, "Guidelines for Energy Cost Allocations." In addition, input was requested from other industry parties. Various levels of input were obtained in the development of the Guidelines from the Edison Electric Institute, American Gas Association, Securities and Exchange Commission, the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, Rural Utilities Service and the National Rural Electric

Cooperatives Association as well as staff of various state public utility commissions.

In some instances, non-structural safeguards as contained in these guidelines may not be sufficient to prevent market power problems in strategic markets such as the generation market. Problems arise when a firm has the ability to raise prices above market for a sustained period and/or impede output of a product or service. Such concerns have led some states to develop codes of conduct to govern relationships between the regulated utility and its non-regulated affiliates. Consideration should be given to any "unique" advantages an incumbent utility would have over competitors in an emerging market such as the retail energy market. A code of conduct should be used in conjunction with guidelines on cost allocations and affiliate transactions.

A. DEFINITIONS

1. **Affiliates** - companies that are related to each other due to common ownership or control.
2. **Attestation Engagement** - one in which a certified public accountant who is in the practice of public accounting is contracted to issue a written communication that expresses a conclusion about the reliability of a written assertion that is the responsibility of another party.
3. **Cost Allocation Manual (CAM)** - an indexed compilation and documentation of a company's cost allocation policies and related procedures.
4. **Cost Allocations** - the methods or ratios used to apportion costs. A cost allocator can be based on the origin of costs, as in the case of cost drivers; cost-causative linkage of an indirect nature; or one or more overall factors (also known as general allocators).
5. **Common Costs** - costs associated with services or products that are of joint benefit between regulated and non-regulated business units.
6. **Cost Driver** - a measurable event or quantity which influences the level of costs incurred and which can be directly traced to the origin of the costs themselves.
7. **Direct Costs** - costs which can be specifically identified with a particular service or product.
8. **Fully Allocated costs** - the sum of the direct costs plus an appropriate share of indirect costs.
9. **Incremental pricing** - pricing services or products on a basis of only the additional costs added by their operations while one or more pre-existing services or products support the fixed costs.
10. **Indirect Costs** - costs that cannot be identified with a particular service or

product. This includes but not limited to overhead costs, administrative and general, and taxes.

11. Non-regulated - that which is not subject to regulation by regulatory authorities.

12. Prevailing Market Pricing - a generally accepted market value that can be substantiated by clearly comparable transactions, auction or appraisal.

13. Regulated - that which is subject to regulation by regulatory authorities.

14. Subsidization - the recovery of costs from one class of customers or business unit that are attributable to another.

B. COST ALLOCATION PRINCIPLES

The following allocation principles should be used whenever products or services are provided between a regulated utility and its non-regulated affiliate or division.

1. To the maximum extent practicable, in consideration of administrative cost: costs should be collected and classified on a direct basis for each asset, service or product provided.

2. The general method for charging indirect costs should be on a fully allocate cost basis. Under appropriate circumstances, regulatory authorities may consider incremental cost, prevailing market pricing or other methods for allocating costs and pricing transactions among affiliates.

3. To the extent possible, all direct and allocated costs between regulated and non-regulated services and products should be traceable on the books of the applicable regulated utility to the applicable Uniform System of Accounts. Documentation should be made available to the appropriate regulatory authority upon request regarding transactions between the regulated utility and its affiliates.

4. The allocation methods should apply to the regulated entity's affiliates in order to prevent subsidization from, and ensure equitable cost sharing among the regulated entity and its affiliates, and vice versa.

5. All costs should be classified to services or products which, by their very nature, are either regulated, non-regulated, or common to both.

6. The primary cost driver of common costs, or a relevant proxy in the absence of a primary cost driver, should be identified and used to allocate the cost between regulated and non-regulated services or products.

7. The indirect costs of each business unit, including the allocated costs of shared services, should be spread to the services or products to which they relate using relevant cost allocators.

C. COST ALLOCATION MANUAL (NOT TARIFFED)

Each entity that provides both regulated and non-regulated services or product should maintain a cost allocation manual (CAM) or its equivalent and notify the jurisdictional regulatory authorities of the CAM's existence. The determination of what, if any, information should be held confidential should be based on the statutes and rules of the regulatory agency that requires the information. Any entity required to provide notification of a CAM(s) should make arrangements as necessary and appropriate to ensure competitively sensitive information derived therefrom be kept confidential by the regulator. At a minimum, the CAM should contain the following:

1. An organization chart of the holding company, depicting all affiliates, and regulated entities.
2. A description of all assets, services and products provided to and from the regulated entity and each of its affiliates.
3. A description of all assets, services and products provided by the regulated entity to non-affiliates.
4. A description of the cost allocators and methods used by the regulated entity and the cost allocators and methods used by its affiliates related to the regulated services and products provided to the regulated entity.

D. AFFILIATE TRANSACTIONS (NOT TARIFFED)

The affiliate transactions pricing guidelines are based on two assumptions. First, affiliate transactions raise the concern of self-dealing where market forces do not necessarily drive prices. Second, utilities have a natural business incentive to shift costs from non-regulated competitive operations to regulated monopoly operations since recovery is more certain with captive ratepayers. Too much flexibility will lead to subsidization. However, if the affiliate transaction pricing guidelines are too rigid, economic transactions may be discouraged.

The objective of the affiliate transactions' guidelines is to lessen the possibility of subsidization in order to protect monopoly ratepayers and to help establish and preserve competition in the electric generation and the electric and gas supply markets. It provides ample flexibility to accommodate exceptions when the outcome is in the best interest of the utility, its ratepayers and competition. As with any transactions, the burden of proof for any exception from the general rule rests with the proponent of the exception.

1. Generally, the price for services, products and the use of assets provided by regulated entity to its non-regulated affiliates should be at the higher of fully allocated costs or prevailing market prices. Under appropriate circumstances, prices could be based on incremental cost, or other pricing mechanisms as determined by the regulator.

2. Generally, the price for services, products and the use of assets provided by non-regulated affiliate to a regulated affiliate should be at the lower of fully allocated cost or prevailing market prices. Under appropriate circumstances, prices could be based on incremental cost, or other pricing mechanisms as determined by the regulator.

3. Generally, transfer of a capital asset from the utility to its non-regulated affiliate should be at the greater of prevailing market price or net book value, except as otherwise required by law or regulation. Generally, transfer of assets from an affiliate to the utility should be at the lower of prevailing market price or net book value, except as otherwise required by law or regulation. To determine prevailing market value, an appraisal should be required at certain value thresholds as determined by regulators.

4. Entities should maintain all information underlying affiliate transactions with the affiliated utility for a minimum of three years, or as required by law or regulation.

E. AUDIT REQUIREMENTS

1. An audit trail should exist with respect to all transactions between the regulated entity and its affiliates that relate to regulated services and products. The regulator should have complete access to all affiliate records necessary to ensure that cost allocations and affiliate transactions are conducted in accordance with the guidelines. Regulators should have complete access to affiliate records, consistent with state statutes, to ensure that the regulator has access to all relevant information necessary to evaluate whether subsidization exists. The auditors, not the audited utilities, should determine what information is relevant for a particular audit objective. Limitations on access would compromise the audit process and impair audit independence.

2. Each regulated entity's cost allocation documentation should be made available to the company's internal auditors for periodic review of the allocation policy and process and to any jurisdictional regulatory authority when appropriate and upon request.

3. Any jurisdictional regulatory authority may request an independent attestation engagement of the CAM. The cost of any independent attestation engagement associated with the CAM, should be shared between regulated and non-regulated operations consistent with the allocation of similar common costs.

4. Any audit of the CAM should not otherwise limit or restrict the authority of state regulatory authorities to have access to the books and records of and audit the operations of jurisdictional utilities.

5. Any entity required to provide access to its books and records should make arrangements as necessary and appropriate to ensure that competitively sensitive information derived therefrom be kept confidential by the regulator.



F. REPORTING REQUIREMENTS

1. The regulated entity should report annually the dollar amount of non-tariff transactions associated with the provision of each service or product and the use or sale of each asset for the following:
 - a. Those provided to each non-regulated affiliate.
 - b. Those received from each non-regulated affiliate.
 - c. Those provided to non-affiliated entities.
 2. Any additional information needed to assure compliance with these Guidelines, such as cost of service data necessary to evaluate subsidization issues, should be provided.
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GLOSSARY

1. **Affiliates** - companies that are related to each other due to common ownership or control.
2. **Asymmetric Pricing** - refers to the use of differing pricing methods depending on the direction of the transfer. Specifically, this refers to higher of cost or market being charged for transfers from the regulated utility to the non-regulated affiliate and lower of cost or market being charged for transfers from the non-regulated affiliate to the regulated utility.
3. **Cost Allocation Manual** - an indexed compilation and documentation of a company's cost allocation policies and related procedures.
4. **Cost Allocators** - the methods or ratios used to apportion costs. A cost allocator can be based on the origin of costs, as in the case of cost drivers; cost-causative linkage of an indirect nature; or one or more overall factors (also known as general allocators).
5. **Common Costs** - costs associated with services or products that are of joint benefit between two business units.
6. **Cost Driver** - a measurable event or quantity which influences the level of costs incurred and which can be directly traced to the origin of the costs themselves.
7. **Cross Subsidization** - occurs when a firm, producing more than one product, uses the revenues from the sale of one product to cover the costs of producing another product.
8. **Direct Costs** - costs which can be directly identified with a particular service or product.
9. **Fully Allocated Cost** - fully allocated cost equals the sum of the direct costs plus an appropriate share of indirect costs.
10. **Incremental Pricing** - pricing services or products on a basis of only the incremental costs of their production while one or more pre-existing services or products support the fixed costs.
11. **Indirect Costs** - costs that cannot be identified with a particular service or product. This includes, but is not limited to, overhead costs, administrative and general costs, and taxes.
12. **Negotiated Pricing** - refers to a method or methods of pricing services or products for which the terms have been discussed and agreed upon by the parties involved in the agreement.
13. **Non-Regulated** - refers to services or products that are not subject to price regulation by regulatory authorities.

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14. **Prevailing Market Price** - a generally accepted market value that can be substantiated by clearly comparable transactions, auction prices or appraisal values.
15. **Regulated** - refers to services or products that are subject to regulation by governmental authorities.
16. **Stand-alone Cost** - the cost that an entity would incur in providing a particular service or product itself (i.e., build from the ground up), rather than receiving the service or product from a shared service provider.
17. **Tariff Based Price** - refers to prices that are pre-approved by the regulatory commission and are on file with the commission.
18. **Transfer Pricing** - refers to the pricing of services and products that one segment of an organization or an affiliate supplies to another segment of an organization or an affiliate.

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INTRODUCTION

Restructuring of the electric industry is having profound effects on company structures through reorganizations, mergers and acquisitions and new methods of business operation. As competition develops in wholesale and retail markets, an increasing number of utilities are rapidly moving into non-regulated business operations which will have far-reaching accounting and economic implications for regulated utilities and their non-regulated affiliates. Administrative rules governing the allocation of costs for services and products transferred between regulated utility operations and non-regulated affiliate operations are currently being considered, debated and implemented in state proceedings. In national regulatory arenas, policy guidelines addressing these critical issues are being developed for consideration by state regulatory commissions and their staff. Because of concerns that regulated utilities will cross subsidize affiliate business operations at the expense of consumers of regulated services or harm competition, regulators and competitors seek to impose strict accounting procedures on utilities to ensure that only justified costs are attributed to regulated activities.

Cost Allocation and Transfer Pricing

Historically, cost allocation within a regulated utility was directly related to the regulatory ratemaking process. Typically, costs were allocated to generation, transmission and distribution functions as well as customer classes at highly aggregated levels. In the competitive market, however, more utilities are offering a wider range of services and products, which involve non-regulated affiliates. As a result, costs related to affiliate transactions must be allocated properly between the regulated portion of the business and the non-regulated affiliate without cross subsidizing other business operations. The basic goals of cost allocation methods should be to ensure proper distribution of costs between the regulated utility and their affiliates and to minimize the time and expense necessary to record and audit transactions.

Cost allocation is the process of assigning a single cost to more than one cost object. A cost object can be any physical item, activity, function, process or organizational unit in which a separate measurement of cost is desired. When used in the context of a regulatory proceeding determining revenue requirements for a regulated utility (*i.e.*, a pipes or wires company), the issue of cost allocation refers to a set of accounting practices that correctly assign costs and can be used to prevent cross subsidization between the regulated utility and its non-regulated affiliates.

In theory, if services and products were purchased individually and were used by only one business unit, tracing the flow of costs would be simple. In reality, however, firms rarely operate in this manner for both efficiency purposes and good business practice. Three basic questions are typically answered when making determinations about cost allocations; 1) What basis should be used for cost allocation? 2) Which costs will (or should) be allocated? 3) What procedure will be used to allocate common costs?

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In the utility industry, a variety of methods are used to capture and allocate costs between regulated and non-regulated operations and a variety of methods are also used to price services and products.

The pricing of services and products between one segment of an organization for a service or product that it supplies to another segment of an organization or to an affiliate is referred to as "transfer pricing." Transfer pricing is largely dependent on the types of transactions involved and should be performed on a transactional basis. Transactions may include transfers of services and products for sale, transfers of services and products not for sale, and the transfer of capital assets. When a regulated utility provides services and products to a non-regulated affiliate (and vice-versa), or transfers capital assets to its non-regulated affiliate (or vice-versa), regulator concerns, largely centering on the issue of cross subsidization of affiliate business operations, exist.

A transfer pricing policy which forces transactions between a regulated utility and a non-regulated affiliate at a price which is uneconomic discourages efficient activities that could potentially lower rates for regulated customers. Conversely, a transfer pricing policy that permits a regulated utility to engage in cross subsidization of a non-regulated affiliate harms ratepayers and may harm competition. State or federal law may also restrict the transfer pricing rules that a regulatory agency can implement. For example, pursuant to the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 ("PUHCA"), registered holding companies must comply with rules implemented by the Securities and Exchange Commission ("SEC") which generally require affiliate transactions to be conducted at cost. The various transfer pricing methods in use to price affiliate transactions will be discussed and defined later in this paper.

Codes of Conduct and Standards

In part, to address these cost allocation and transfer pricing issues, an increasing number of states undergoing restructuring have developed "Codes of Conduct" or "Standards" through regulatory proceedings to govern relationships between regulated utilities and their non-regulated affiliates. Codes of Conduct define permissible relationships between a utility and other market participants, in particular the utility's non-regulated affiliates. Issues that are often covered in Codes of Conduct include: 1) corporate governance, structural separation and affiliate relations; 2) discrimination, subsidization and cost allocation; 3) marketing restrictions; 4) resource restrictions and 5) regulatory oversight. Many of the issues appearing in Codes of Conduct surrounding cost allocation and transfer pricing of affiliate transactions are also being addressed in draft guidelines being put forth by The National Association of Regulatory Utility Commissioners ("NARUC").

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Guidelines for Cost Allocation & Affiliate Transactions

The NARUC, in conjunction with the electric and natural gas industries and other stakeholder groups, is drafting "Guidelines for Cost Allocation & Affiliate Transactions" ("Guidelines"). The draft Guidelines should be viewed in light of accepted accounting policies and procedures for allocating costs and recording transfers of services and products between the utility and its affiliates as well as economic principles for pricing those transfers.

The Guidelines are needed in part to increase the likelihood that state regulatory commissions will adopt effective and adequate safeguards regarding potential cross subsidization between the regulated and non-regulated businesses of electric and gas utilities while avoiding regulatory policy choices that have tended to reduce economic efficiency or harm consumers of regulated services in the long run. The electric and natural gas industries have united views on needed changes to the draft Guidelines. In particular, these changes would focus on areas specific to technical definitions, cost allocation principles, documentation and content of a Cost Allocation Manual ("CAM"), affiliate transaction pricing methods, and audit requirements which include access to affiliate books and records. The research in the following paper will, in part, concentrate on those areas significant, not only to the NARUC project, but also to recent state regulatory proceedings.

Survey of Current State Commission Rules

In order to properly gauge the current status of affiliate rules as well as understand methods already in place at state commissions, a nationwide survey was undertaken by Deloitte & Touche on behalf of the Edison Electric Institute. The survey consisted of a questionnaire put before each of the 51 state commissions (including the District of Columbia). A copy of the questionnaire used is included in *Appendix A*. The questions were designed to obtain feedback on the main issues to be addressed in this paper.

In total, 33 commissions responded directly with either complete or partial answers to the survey questions. Where necessary, follow up calls were made to several of the states responding in order to clarify and deepen the understanding of certain responses. For states not responding, publicly available information, such as state laws, Codes of Conduct or commission orders were reviewed to determine how the commission would have likely responded. For 7 additional states, this resulted in sufficient information to allow the majority of the survey to be completed, for a total of 40 states represented. Remaining states were not included in the formation of the results. A complete matrix indicating the state-by-state responses can be seen at *Appendix B*.

Purpose Of Paper

This paper discusses the basic accounting and economic issues surrounding cost allocation policies and procedures, transfer pricing methods and the relative merits of each. In addition,

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this paper will provide a resource for discussing other issues which are currently under debate in both state and national forums, specifically confidentiality, reporting requirements, and audit requirements which include access to affiliate books and records. Lastly, this paper summarizes the results of the survey performed by Deloitte & Touche on behalf of the Edison Electric Institute ("EEI"), gauging the status of present-day regulatory rules and practices on cost allocations and affiliate transfer pricing policies.

COST ACCUMULATION AND ALLOCATION

Overview of Shared Services

Most companies currently provide both regulated and non-regulated services and products. Unregulated activities can be performed either as part of a utility company (below-the-line income and expense) or through subsidiaries or other affiliated companies. The majority of companies today are organized as holding companies having subsidiaries that are both regulated and non-regulated affiliates. Some holding companies are Registered Holding Companies ("RHC")¹ because they are "registered" or authorized to conduct business in accordance with the PUHCA as administered by the SEC. Other holding companies are Exempt Holding Companies ("EHC")² because they are "exempt" from the provisions of PUHCA with the exception of those sections of PUHCA related to the acquisition of securities of public utility companies and the acquisition of foreign (non-US) utility companies. Depending on the type of organization, for accounting, reporting and ratemaking purposes, regulated affiliates fall under the jurisdiction of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission ("FERC"), state public utility commissions and/or the SEC.

The term "regulated affiliate" usually means the regulated operating utility company(ies) or subsidiary(ies). Sometimes the term "regulated affiliate(s)" is also used to refer to fuel subsidiaries, mining subsidiaries, or other operations that supply services or products exclusively to a regulated utility or another regulated affiliate. The cost of such services and products are passed through (i.e., allowed to be recovered in the utility's(ies) cost of service and rates) after review by the regulator to the utility's(ies) customers, thus the term "regulated affiliate." With industry restructuring and unbundling, the generation function may be deregulated and provided through a non-regulated entity while the transmission and distribution functions may continue to be provided through regulated entities.

Service companies of RHC's are regulated by the SEC as to accounting, reporting, cost allocation and pricing. Service Companies of EHC's are not regulated by the SEC. Service companies of RHC's or EHC's are not directly regulated by the FERC or state public utility commissions. The cost of services and products provided by the service companies of both the RHC and EHC are, however, subject to the same regulatory scrutiny as any other regulated utility costs before such costs are allowed to be included in the utility's cost of service for ratemaking purposes.

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The term "non-regulated affiliate" refers to an affiliated entity or subsidiary that is not regulated by a utility regulator (*i.e.*, the regulator does not have jurisdiction over a non-regulated affiliate). For purposes of the following section, the term "affiliate" will refer to both regulated and non-regulated affiliates unless otherwise stipulated.

Services and products can be delivered to affiliated entities in several ways. One method is to have the parent and/or the utility provide the service or product to or among the affiliated entities. Another method of providing services and products is through the use of a separate service company. For years, RHCs have used service companies authorized by, and under the oversight of the SEC to provide services to affiliates. Industry restructuring, domestic and foreign mergers and acquisitions, and the transition to competition are resulting in the formation of additional holding companies with service companies. Centralization of activities through the creation of service companies results in economies of scale, which cannot be achieved by an affiliate on a stand-alone basis. The provision of shared services to achieve benefits of consolidation and economies of scale, means that the majority of the shared service costs are incurred to provide common services to multiple affiliates which, by definition, requires an allocation of such costs.

The provision of shared service within an affiliated group can take many forms. Services can be provided to domestic utility companies and regulated affiliates including other regulated service companies, to non-regulated affiliates including non-regulated service companies, and to a combination of both regulated and non-regulated affiliates. In addition, there can be provision of services and products between member affiliates. Examples would be the provision of services by one utility operating affiliate to another affiliated operating utility to repair storm damage or for a loan of stores material. Such services are charged or billed directly from one entity to another and are not the focus of this paper.

The provision of services and products is typically covered by service agreements between the service provider and the receiver(s) of the service. The service agreement sets forth the types of shared services to be provided which usually include general and administrative services such as general executive, advisory, administrative, accounting, legal, regulatory, engineering, human resources, and purchasing. The service agreement also sets forth the cost or price to be charged for the service provided as well as how such costs are to be allocated or billed to the receiving entity. The costs of providing such services are accumulated and billed to affiliates using cost-causative principles. Services provided to affiliates by service companies of RHCs are provided to the affiliates at fully allocated cost (break even) as required by the SEC. Also, services provided to affiliates by service companies of exempt holding companies or by a parent or utility affiliate are usually provided at cost, although not required by the SEC. In addition to requiring "at cost" pricing to affiliates, the SEC has responsibility for approving the cost allocation formula or methodologies for the RHCs.

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Cost Accumulation

Affiliate transaction information including the costs of providing both regulated and non-regulated services are captured in accounting systems for accumulation and allocation to the appropriate affiliates. Typically, the primary information systems used for accumulating affiliate costs are: Payroll (time reporting); Accounts Payable (expense accounts and vendor invoices); and General Ledger Journal Entries. Information systems are linked to the General Ledger for recording the accounting information on the books of the affiliate for which the costs were incurred. Implementation of activity-based costing or activity-based management systems have provided utilities with better cost accounting tools for accumulating and assigning costs. These cost accounting systems allow for the accumulation of costs at a fairly low level and, therefore, provide more detailed information for analyzing and assigning costs to the appropriate affiliated company(ies) based on the activities performed.

Cost Allocation Principles

The application of cost allocation principles can result in more accurate product or service costs and information that can be used to manage operations as well as provide more accurate information to regulators. These transaction principles are applied when resources are shared between business units within a company or on an intercompany basis as when capital assets or services and products are utilized between regulated operations and non-regulated affiliate operations.

For allocation purposes, the costs associated with services and products provided to affiliates can be classified as direct, indirect or common costs. Affiliate costs can be either expensed (*i.e.*, income statement item) or capitalized (*i.e.*, balance sheet item) on the receiving company's books.

Direct costs can be identified with a particular service or product and can be incurred on behalf of one or more affiliates. For example, direct costs such as for engineering services incurred for the benefit of only one affiliate can be directly assigned (billed 100%) to that affiliate. Direct costs that benefit more than one affiliate, such as employee benefit administration, must be charged or allocated to the affiliates receiving the service on some cost causative basis such as the number or ratio of employees to total employees. To the maximum extent practicable, in consideration of cost benefit standards, costs should be collected and classified on a direct basis for each service or product provided.

Indirect costs cannot be identified with a particular service or product. Indirect costs include but are not limited to overhead costs (*e.g.*, corporate, departmental, business unit), administrative and general costs, and taxes. Indirect costs are charged to the appropriate product or service to which they relate using relevant cost allocators. An underlying cost accounting principle, and the general method in use, is the fully distributed cost alignment method (fully allocated costs). The fully allocated costing philosophy is based on the premise that both direct and indirect costs are

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identified for services and products and that services and products should bear the sum of the direct costs plus a proportional share of indirect costs. In other words, the costs of services and products should include all costs that would be incurred on a stand-alone basis (*i.e.*, all costs if the affiliate produced the service or products itself), thereby removing any cross subsidization between business profitability (*e.g.*, regulated vs. non-regulated).

Common costs, as distinct from indirect costs, are usually defined as costs associated with services or products that are of joint benefit between regulated and non-regulated business units. The primary cost driver of common costs, or a relevant proxy in the absence of a primary cost driver, should be identified and used to allocate the cost between regulated and non-regulated services or products. An example of a common cost is a corporate headquarters building which houses both regulated and non-regulated business operations. Common building space costs can be allocated to business units based on the amount of square feet occupied by the various business units multiplied by the cost per square foot of the space occupied.

Companies use various methods to identify and record direct costs to regulated and non-regulated affiliates for services and products. One method is to assign costs directly to an account number using the FERC Uniform System of Accounts ("FERC USOA") or the SEC Uniform System of Accounts for Mutual Service Companies and Subsidiary Service Companies ("SEC USOA") of RHCs. A charge (or entry) to the account on the provider's books would also appear in the same account on the receiving entity's books. Another method is to charge direct costs to a product code, project code, work order or service number. Other methods of assigning direct costs are to identify and charge the costs based on an activity number or a company number. In some cases, deferral accounts and job numbers are used to capture costs. These systems for capturing and recording costs incurred in providing services to affiliates are also used to allocate or bill the costs of the services to the appropriate affiliates. These systems can also contain information for mapping or translating the costs charged to the affiliates to the appropriate account number. For example, a project code may capture the cost of administering the employee benefits program for all the affiliates of an affiliated group. The costs identified by the project code are then allocated to the affiliates receiving the service using the same allocation factor such as the number of employees. In this way each affiliate is charged a proportionate share of the costs associated with administration of the employee benefits program based on the ratio of each affiliate's number of employees to the total number of employees in the affiliated group.

As previously mentioned, indirect costs include costs such as administrative and general costs, sometimes referred to as indirect overhead costs, and cannot be identified with a particular service or product. These indirect or "residual" costs which cannot be specifically attributed to a product, service or affiliate and for which there are no cost causative relationships, are typically accumulated or "pooled" and then allocated in the same ratio as all other costs are assigned or allocated (using a general allocator based on total company expenses). One method for allocating indirect costs would be to spread such costs using a general allocator based on how all operation and maintenance ("O&M") costs are assigned or allocated. Allocation of indirect costs, which have no readily identifiable cost causative relationships, on the basis of how all

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other costs have been allocated on a cost causative basis is a proxy or surrogate for allocating indirect costs on a cost causative basis. Some companies allocate indirect costs using multi-factor allocation formulas based on factors such as labor costs, plant investment or revenues.

Appendix C includes 5 detailed examples of how companies currently assign costs to both regulated and non-regulated affiliates. The examples also reflect how the services are provided (i.e., by the parent and/or utility or through a service company) and how the costs of such services are assigned or allocated.

Cost Allocation Manuals ("CAM's")

CAM's, or comparable written documentation, are used by many investor-owned electric utilities to accurately explain and reflect policies and procedures for allocating costs for services and products between regulated and non-regulated operations. Some regulatory jurisdictions require companies to maintain a CAM for regulatory proceedings. Common contents of a CAM include a listing and description of services and products provided between the regulated utility and non-regulated affiliate, a description of the cost allocators and allocation methods or transfer pricing methods and procedures used, and an organization chart of the holding company depicting all affiliates and regulated entities. NARUC's current Guidelines define a CAM as an indexed compilation of a company's cost allocation policies and related procedures.¹

In 1986 and in 1996, the Federal Communications Commission ("FCC") issued orders⁴ which, in part, mandated the filing and approval of CAM's for all local telephone carriers and dominant inter-exchange carriers with more than \$100 million in operating revenue. The action was directed at precluding carriers from imposing costs and risks of non-regulated services and products onto captive ratepayers. Although a CAM is one method for accomplishing this goal, there are alternative reporting requirements, as will be discussed later, which may prove less burdensome and just as effective.

TRANSFER PRICING METHODS

Transfer prices are not a concern in most industries since private firms are generally free to allow one segment of the firm to subsidize another, if they so choose. However, in regulated markets, such as electric power and natural gas, regulators have an interest in establishing policies that protect customers of the regulated portion of a firm from subsidizing non-regulated activities. Regulators want to prevent a utility from exploiting its position as a provider of essential monopoly services to provide a non-regulated affiliate with an unfair competitive advantage. An unfair competitive advantage could be provided through preferential treatment, sharing of customer and retailer information, or other commercially sensitive information.

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As restructuring progresses in the electric power and natural gas industries, and previously regulated segments of the industry become competitive, transfer pricing methods are increasingly gaining the attention of regulators. Specifically, as many utilities transfer generation assets to an unregulated affiliate, either voluntarily or as part of a restructuring proceeding, state regulatory commissions have focussed attention on the price at which such assets are transferred.

Regulators are generally concerned with protecting customers from cross subsidies that could potentially result from affiliate transactions in two directions:

- For the sale of services or products or for the transfer of capital assets from a regulated utility to a non-regulated affiliate, regulators want to ensure that the non-regulated affiliate does not pay less than a price that would be considered fair to ratepayers for the services or products or for the capital asset.
- For the sale of services or products or for the transfer of capital assets from a non-regulated affiliate to a regulated utility, regulators want to ensure that the regulated utility does not pay more than a price that would be considered fair to ratepayers for the services or products or for the capital asset.

Various methods exist for the pricing of a transfer of services and products and capital assets between the regulated utility and its non-regulated affiliates. State regulatory commissions have adopted several of these methods. The methods addressed in this report are:

- Fully allocated cost
- Incremental cost
- Prevailing market price
- Tariff based prices
- Negotiated prices
- Higher of cost or prevailing market
- Lower of cost or prevailing market

The following section will describe the basis and identify the pros and cons for each transfer pricing method identified above.

Methods

Fully Allocated Cost

Historically, fully allocated cost has often been used by regulators to set transfer prices for services and products. Fully allocated cost methods provide that revenues collected from the sale of services and products, or capital assets equals the sum of the direct costs plus an appropriate share of indirect costs. Fully allocated cost pricing results in adequate revenues that cover total

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cost for each service and product. For the transfer of capital assets, fully allocated cost reflects the net book value of the capital asset.

Fully allocated cost pricing results in the regulated utility and non-regulated affiliates paying the same price for shared services or products. Many regulators are comfortable with the fully allocated cost methods and generally believe that it results in a fair outcome for utility customers.

From an economic perspective, fully allocated cost pricing eliminates any cross subsidization since the non-regulated affiliate bears all of the incremental costs plus a proportional share of the fixed costs. The method results in prices that are attributable to identifiable and verifiable costs.

However, some economists believe that incremental cost is the most preferable method for setting transfer prices. Fully allocated cost based transfer prices could prevent or discourage economic transactions if the market price is above incremental cost but below fully allocated cost. Customers of the regulated utility would suffer since they would not realize the benefits of a transaction that is otherwise economically justified.

Incremental Cost

As noted above, some economists believe that incremental cost is the preferable method for pricing affiliate transactions and should be used as the benchmark for identification of cross subsidies.⁵ This is because any affiliate transfers at incremental cost do not adversely affect the utility customers and incremental cost based transfer prices will maximize economic efficiency.

Economists Michael A. Crew and Paul R. Kleindorfer have stated: "...the use of consumers' and producers' surplus is now broadly accepted as appropriate for welfare analysis in public utility economics. Maximizing net benefit as measured by this traditional welfare function leads to the efficient outcome that price should equal to marginal costs."⁶ Likewise, economist Alfred E. Kahn states that "...society's interest is in having transportation, energy or communications provided at the lowest possible cost...And economic efficiency requires, additionally, that no business be turned away that covers the cost to society of providing that service. These basic goals are served by permitting rates to be set at long-run marginal costs."⁷ While both economists were discussing the appropriate method for setting prices for regulated utility rates, the concepts are equally applicable to transfer prices.

Transfer prices based on incremental cost, unlike transfer prices based on fully allocated costs, will not prevent or discourage economically justified transactions. Any transaction at a price that exceeds incremental cost will result in lower costs to all customers as compared to the transaction not occurring. Of course, if the utility has an opportunity to sell a service or product to a non-affiliate at a higher price, it should. However, if the price paid by the affiliate is lower than the price paid by regulated utility customers, the transaction may be perceived by regulators as unfair. This is so, even though it would result in lower prices to the regulated utility customers as compared to if the transaction did not take place.

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Traditional regulatory ratemaking bases rates on average embedded cost. In an embedded cost study the joint and common costs are allocated to customer classes either on the basis of the overall ratios of costs directly assigned, or by a series of allocators that best reflect the cost causation principles.⁸ An additional concern with basing transfer prices on incremental cost is that the prices will deviate from those set under traditional ratemaking for utility services.

Prevailing Market Prices

Prevailing market price, when a market price exists for the service or product, is the preferable method for setting transfer prices while maintaining the "arms length" nature of the transactions, since it reflects the value that the market sets for services or products based on actual supply and demand conditions. Market prices promote economic efficiency (in an effective competitive market) since they take into account both the suppliers' cost of production and the buyers' measure of value.⁹ Market based transfer prices should be perceived by regulators as fair since the price for a utility/affiliate transaction would be the same as the price for a non-affiliate transaction.

Unfortunately, market prices that are reflective of the value of intra-firm transactions often do not exist. Also, since some of the services now provided by utilities in a competitive market were formerly provided in a regulated market, workable competition for many of these services may not yet exist.

In the absence of actual market price information, state regulatory commissions may consider administratively determined market prices. For example, concerning the transfer of generation assets, commissions could consider forecasts of the future price of electricity, and determine a transfer price based on those forecasts. Or, commissions could look to recent sales of generation assets by other utilities and develop market price forecasts based on a comparison of those sales to the asset being transferred. However, the use of price forecasts or comparable sales as the basis for setting transfer prices is inferior to the use of actual market price.

Tariff Based Pricing

Tariff based pricing refers to prices that are pre-approved by the regulatory commission and are on file with the commission. Tariff based transfer prices allow for regulatory commissions to review the transfer prices for services and products or capital assets prior to transactions taking place. This could involve either a review of the actual costs that prices are based on, or a review of a method that will set prices based on future costs. Tariff based transfer prices allow for the up front resolution of issues concerning the methods or costs.

Tariff based prices are nondiscriminatory since all customers typically pay the same price for any service or product provided under the tariff. However, tariff based transfer prices can be burdensome if they do not allow for prices to be quickly modified to reflect changed circumstances.

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Furthermore, tariffs are set for regulated products and services where regulation is critical to ensure non-discrimination in the provision of essential monopoly services. Tariffs for non-essential services extends regulation into markets that are competitive and do not require regulation. Therefore, tariff based prices treat all products and services as though they were essential monopoly services, which distorts the markets for these products, particularly for non-regulated suppliers.

Negotiated Pricing

Negotiated pricing refers to prices that are based on arms length negotiations between the utility and its affiliates. Negotiated prices allow for real time prices that are reflective of changing market conditions. Negotiated prices avoid distortions created by pre-established transfer prices that are not reflective of current market conditions.

Negotiated prices can lead to different prices for customers that purchase services and products at different points in time. This could be perceived as unfair from a regulatory perspective if an affiliate receives a lower price, even though it may be reflective of lower costs at the time of the purchase.

Asymmetric Pricing - Lower of Cost or Market/Higher of Cost or Market

The lower of cost or market is utilized for transfers from an affiliate to a regulated utility to ensure that the utility is not paying a price more than the regulator would consider fair to ratepayers for the services or products or for the capital asset. By definition, the utility will not pay more than market price and could pay less than market price if the cost is below market.

The higher of cost or market is utilized for transfers from a regulated utility to an affiliate to ensure that the affiliate is not paying a price less than the regulator would consider fair to ratepayers for the services or products or for the asset. For sales from the utility to an affiliate, the utility will be paid at least its costs and could receive payments in excess of its costs if the market price exceeds its costs.

These methods ensure that regulated services are not subsidizing non-regulated services. However, these methods share many of the problems associated with transfer prices based on fully allocated costs. Specifically, while considered fair by regulators since they prevent cross subsidies, these methods may discourage otherwise economic transactions that could lower prices for all customers.

Appendix D contains a chart summarizing the pros and cons associated with the various transfer pricing methodologies.

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Which Method is Best?

Determining the correct method for setting transfer prices requires regulators to balance the dual objective of ensuring that customers of the regulated utility are not subsidizing non-regulated activities and promoting economic efficiency that results in the lowest prices. Some of the methods described above tilt in favor of perceived fairness and ensuring no cross subsidies at the expense of economic efficiency, while some do the opposite and promote economic efficiency while giving less weight to perceived fairness, or the cross subsidy issue. The optimal approach is one that gives regulators the flexibility to match the method for setting transfer prices to the specific set of circumstances presented in each case.

Fully allocated cost does not maximize economic efficiency since it can prevent or discourage otherwise economic transactions. However, fully allocated cost is considered by some as the best method since it fairly allocates costs that are common to the provision of both regulated and non-regulated services and results in both regulated utility and non-regulated affiliates paying the same price for regulated or non-tariffed services or products that are based on the same concept, (i.e. fully allocated cost).

On the opposite end of the range of transfer pricing methodologies is incremental cost. While incremental cost is considered the most economically efficient method for setting transfer prices, it is often perceived as unfair since it could result in an affiliate paying a lower price than a regulated utility for the same services or products, because the affiliate would not be making a contribution towards the regulated utility's fixed costs.

The key for regulators is to find the methodology that minimizes compromises to economic efficiency in the name of fairness. For example, assume that the market price for a service provided by a utility to an affiliate is \$10. The incremental cost to the utility to provide the service is \$8 and the fully allocated cost is \$12. The higher of cost or market method would require the utility to charge its affiliate \$12 for the service. However, given that the market price for the service is \$10, the transaction would not take place since the affiliate could purchase the service elsewhere at the lower market price.¹⁰

In this example, basing the transfer price on the market price would have allowed the transaction to take place and would have prevented any subsidies from occurring. Further, customers of the utility would have benefited since the transaction would have resulted in a profit of \$2 from the sale of the service that could have been used to offset some of the fixed costs or otherwise reduce the costs of the service. The "higher of" method in this example prevented a transaction from occurring without any sound basis in either economic efficiency or fairness. This conclusion is supported by Kenneth W. Costello in his recent article on pricing utility transactions wherein he stated: "The popular 'higher of' and 'lower of' (or what is often referred to as 'asymmetric pricing') provision contained in some states' rules pertaining to the pricing of affiliate transactions seems unnecessary or counterproductive and fundamentally devoid of any sound economic principle."

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Basing transfer prices on market prices in this example would represent one reasonable approach to balancing economic efficiency and fairness. While any price above incremental cost would be economically justified, basing transfer prices on market values in this example would have protected customers from subsidizing the affiliate, would be perceived as fair, and would have allowed a beneficial transaction to occur that otherwise would not have occurred if a "higher of" policy was in place.

The same result occurs for transactions from an affiliate to a utility. For example, if an affiliate's fully allocated cost to provide a service is \$8 and the market price is \$10, the lower of cost or market method would require the affiliate to provide the service for \$8. However, the transaction would not take place since the affiliate could sell the service to a non-affiliate for \$10. If the utility was able to negotiate a price below the prevailing market price, \$9 for example, the "lower of" method would prevent the transaction from taking place and the utility customers would be forced to pay a higher price for the service.

Conclusion

For tariffed services, commissions should provide for maximum transfer pricing flexibility. Commissions will have an opportunity to review tariffs and resolve issues prior to the tariffs becoming effective.

For registered holding companies (pursuant to the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935), the SEC has implemented rules that require affiliate transactions to generally be conducted at cost (equivalent to fully allocated cost). Ideally, state commission rules should be consistent with the SEC rules.

For non-tariffed services, regulatory policy concerning transfer prices should balance the dual objectives of economic efficiency and fairness. Rigid "higher of" and "lower of" policies do not meet this objective and may prevent transactions from occurring that could be beneficial to ratepayers.

Market prices should be the benchmark for transfer prices whenever they are readily determinable and reflective of a competitive market. Market prices reflect the value the market places on services, products and capital assets and take into account demand and cost aspects of services, products and assets. Market prices meet the fairness test since all similarly situated affiliated and non-affiliated market participants would pay the same prices for the same services.

However, since market prices are not readily available for many affiliate transactions, a cost based approach must be utilized in many cases. The best policy is one that allows a regulatory commission to determine transfer prices based on a combination of market prices, cost and other information specific to the transaction.

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As a general guideline, however, for services and products provided from a regulated utility to a non-regulated affiliate, incremental cost should be considered the floor price. Incremental cost based transfer prices ensure that ratepayers are not harmed by the transaction but suffer from criticisms concerning fairness. Regulatory policy should allow transfer prices to be set below fully allocated cost (and above incremental cost) based on consideration of market prices, cost and other information, whenever the resultant transfer price provides benefits to ratepayers and meets the fairness standard. Likewise, for services and products provided from a non-regulated affiliate to a regulated utility, regulatory policy should allow transfer prices to vary from fully allocated cost based on consideration of market prices, cost and other information.

These concepts are similar in nature to those that led regulatory commissions to allow utilities to use flexible pricing to retain customers with competitive options such as self-generation. This practice became prevalent in the 1980's when customers began exploring the installation of cogeneration facilities in response to the Public Utility Regulatory Policy Act ("PURPA"). Commissions recognized that retaining a customer at a rate less than the full tariff rate (presumably based on fully allocated embedded costs), but above incremental cost, could benefit all customers when compared to having the customer leave the utility system. The benefit to other customer's results from the fact that the customer would continue to make a contribution to fixed costs, whereas if the customer left the system, it would make no contribution to fixed costs. Under traditional ratemaking, allowing a customer to leave the utility system could lead to higher costs for all remaining customers since in the next base rate case, remaining costs could be spread over a smaller sales base. Commissions established policies that allowed them to determine prices, sometimes on a case-by-case basis, based on the specific circumstances of situations where other customers would benefit from such discounts and allowed the transactions to occur.

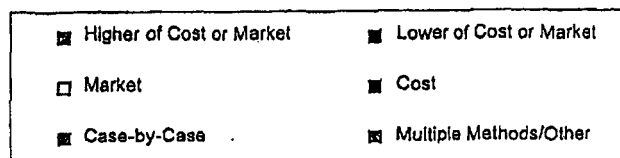
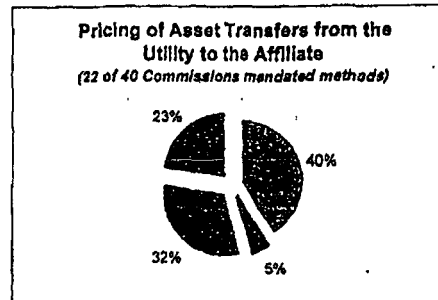
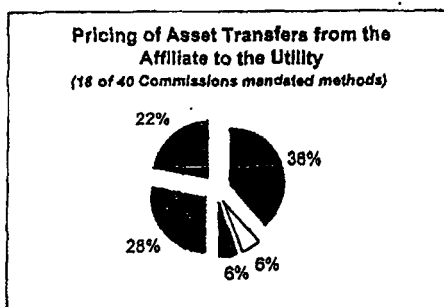
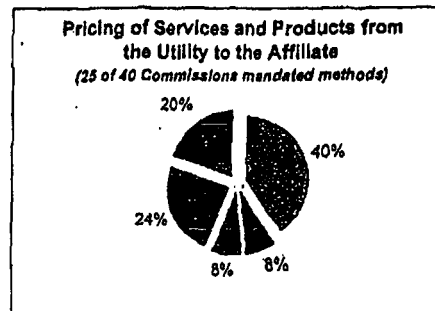
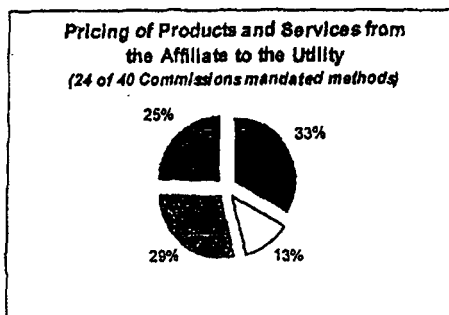
In conclusion, regulatory policies concerning transfer prices should be flexible enough to allow commissions to balance the often-competing objectives of economic efficiency and fairness to ratepayers and competitors of the utility. This requires regulators to make difficult decisions for which no clear answers exist. However, such policies are preferable to policies such as the "higher of" or "lower of" which, while simple and perceived as fair, are not based upon sound economic principles and could prevent otherwise beneficial transactions from occurring.

Current Transfer Pricing Rules - Survey Results

The determination of which transfer pricing method is used by regulated utilities and their non-regulated affiliates is clearly a significant issue with state commissions. Nearly all available documentation governing affiliate transactions discusses cost allocation and transfer pricing issues. However, not all commissions responding mandate a specific pricing method. Many commissions simply stated that no cross subsidies were to exist. The survey differentiated cost allocations between capital asset transfers and service and product transfers. The direction of the transaction was also a differentiating factor (i.e., from the regulated utility to the non-regulated affiliate or vice versa). The survey indicated that 60% of the commissions ordered a specific

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method for pricing of services and products from the non-regulated affiliate to the regulated utility. Similarly, 45% of commissions responding specified a method for the transfers of assets to the regulated utility. For transfers from the regulated utility to the non-regulated affiliates 63% of the responding commissions ordered specific methods of pricing services and product transfers and 55% did the same for capital asset transfers. The following charts indicate the distribution of methods required.



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For purposes of the preceding charts, similar methods such as lower of fully allocated cost plus 5% or market and lower of fully allocated cost or market were counted as lower of cost or market since they are both variations on the same principle. When referring to cost for capital asset transfers, the commissions generally specified net book cost. Also, where "multiple methods/other" is listed, the commission has a requirement that different methods be used depending on the specific nature of the transfer, or there is a tiered requirement (e.g., fair market value should be used unless market value cannot be established, in which case fully allocated cost should be used), or the specific method was not clear.

Transfer pricing methods and their economic benefits have been clearly described in the previous sections of this document. Of the commissions responding that they have some form of mandate in place, 57% require some form of asymmetric pricing. Many states also mandate specific methods on a case-by-case basis, which indicates that a generic rule is not in place and methods are mandated on a utility-by-utility basis. Case-by-case practices are in use by between 24% and 32% of the commissions depending on the direction and type of transfer. As the charts indicate, the use of cost (representing fully allocated cost for services and products and net book value for capital asset transfers) and fair market value were also common means of pricing transfers between the regulated utility and its non-regulated affiliates.

Given the wide range of methods in use and the complexities of the economic characteristics of these methods, caution should be taken before mandating a specific method. Options exist that may be preferable to asymmetric pricing which will satisfy the overriding requirements that cross subsidies be minimized and economic efficiencies be encouraged.

Market and Regulatory Solutions

Despite regulator concerns, protections against cost subsidization and cost shifting activities between regulated utilities and their non-regulated affiliates have been and continue to be in place through checks and balances. One argument which might be used by regulators as a rationale for imposing asymmetric pricing on regulated utilities and their non-regulated affiliates is the presumption that regulated utilities are naturally disposed to shift costs from non-regulated affiliate operations to captive ratepayers. When this presumption is made, it is important to recognize that safeguards are in place to guard against cost shifting, such as existing regulatory accounting, transfer pricing rules, audits and access to books and records of the regulated utility. Non-regulated business operations are not new to the electric utility industry. Regulatory oversight has controlled cross subsidization in the past. State regulators possess significant authority to protect ratepayer interests in activities, which affect the regulated operating utility company and have ratemaking authority over regulated services, which they can, and do, exercise to protect ratepayers from unreasonable costs.

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REPORTING REQUIREMENTS

Given the high level of concern by regulators that affiliate transactions are conducted and regulated adequately, many states have implemented procedures to assist with the monitoring of these transactions. One method for accomplishing this is to establish reporting requirements whereby transactions between the regulated utility and its non-regulated affiliates are reported to the appropriate state commission. Many states have also enacted audit requirements, which will be discussed later, to assist in their monitoring of affiliate transaction activity.

The results of the study indicate the majority, 76% of the states included in the survey responses, have reporting requirements in place. Some additional states (not included in the 76%) that responded they do *not* have requirements in place indicated the ability to request information regarding transactions between the regulated utility and its non-regulated affiliates through rate cases and other means.

Once a commission has determined that a reporting requirement is appropriate, there are several other issues, which will impact both the burden to the utility for reporting and the burden to the commission in their oversight. These issues include: 1) the form of reporting required, 2) the frequency of reporting, and 3) any materiality threshold for amounts to be reported. Despite the general consensus among the commissions responding that some form of reporting is beneficial, no consensus appears to exist regarding the specifics of these reporting requirements.

Form of Reporting

States requiring reporting of the transfer of services and products and/or capital assets mandate several different methods of reporting. Generally, these requirements could be divided into two classes, the first being a historical filing and the second being a prospective filing. Historical filings require the utility to inform the commission after the transfer has occurred, while prospective filings require the utility to inform the commission prior to completing a transfer.

In all but a couple of the states responding, historical reporting was required. An example of this requirement is a state such as Massachusetts, which requires the regulated utility to maintain and file with the commission an annual log of transactions with non-regulated affiliates. This type of reporting allows the commission time to review the submitted transactions without adversely affecting or delaying the transaction. In most states the commission would have ample authority to require an appropriate remedy for any transactions that are considered inappropriate. However, the requirement places a burden on the utility to prepare the information in the required format, and burdens the commissions reviewing the information submitted. Adjusting the mandates relating to the remaining issues of frequency and threshold could further reduce this burden.

States requiring a prospective filing mandate that the regulated utility inform the commission of the transfer prior to its commencement. Where used, this method generally relates to the transfer

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of capital assets. This can be a broad requirement whereby the utility files, with the commission, a plan for the year with generic details of expected transactions between the utility and its affiliate. As long as transactions are consistent with this pre-filed plan, there are no additional requirements. Further approval is only necessary when the transfer of services and products or capital assets is outside the scope of the plan. Conversely, at least one state requires specific approval of individual transfers as much as thirty days prior to the transaction. The benefit of prospective reporting is that it gives the commissions greater control and reduces the risk of having to go back and "unwind" or otherwise remedy an unacceptable transaction. A downside of this method is the clear potential to interrupt and interfere with the business of the utility. Delays in the approval process or unforeseen transactions could both serve to interrupt business. Additionally, these methods would place a further burden on the commission to act quickly and be responsive to avoid delays.

Frequency of Reporting

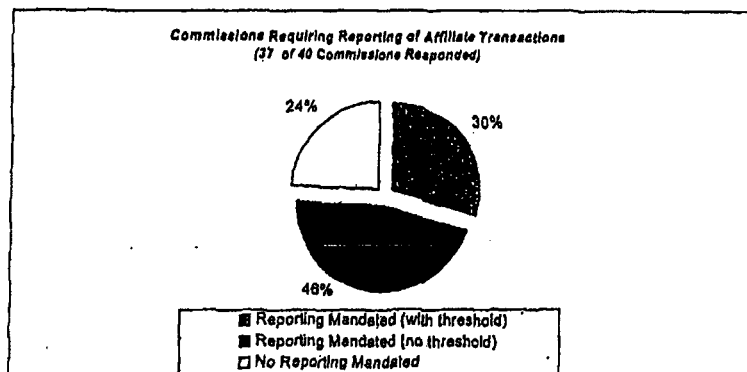
Commissions requiring reporting of services and products and/or capital asset transfers used two different frequencies, the most prevalent being annual reporting. Other states require transactional reporting, either before or after the transfer of services and products or capital assets that exceed some threshold amount. To some degree, this decision is influenced by the form of reporting opted by the commission. States requiring historical reporting, generally required the transactions to be reported annually, while states that require prospective reports generally require utilities to report potential transactions each time a new transaction is considered.

Pros and cons exist regarding the frequency of reporting. Reporting on an annual basis is likely a lesser burden to both the utility and the commission than transactional reporting. A drawback to annual reporting from the commission's standpoint could be a perceived loss of control and knowledge of the day-to-day affiliate dealings. Transactional reporting provides more timely knowledge of the affiliate transactions at a cost of increased workload, both in oversight and preparation.

Reporting Threshold

Another issue related to the reporting of services and products or capital asset transfers between the utility and its affiliates is the issue of a reporting threshold. Based on the responses, it would appear that only 30% of the states responding have applied a threshold, below which reporting is not required. Regardless of the form and frequency of reporting, there are substantial time and resource commitments required of both the utility and the commissions enacting and overseeing the requirement. Establishing a reasonable threshold is an appropriate means to greatly reduce this commitment while ensuring that material transfers between the utility and its affiliates are reported and being performed in compliance with the rules in place.

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A variety of methods are used in establishing thresholds, some as direct dollar amounts, others as a quantifying ratio. Half the states have also allowed for flexibility in the threshold depending on the nature of the transfer and the size of the entities involved. The variability is largely a reflection of the commissions' desired level of involvement and oversight.

Conclusion

Given the majority of commissions that require some level of reporting of service and product and/or capital asset transfers, it appears that commissions perceive such reporting as a valuable means of ensuring compliance with established affiliate rules. Depending on the level of involvement desired by the commissions, many different methods for implementing this requirement exist. It appears reasonable to implement some materiality threshold on reporting requirements, should a commission determine a need exists. However, a commission should carefully evaluate the efficiency and potential effectiveness of establishing such a requirement considering factors such as resources available for compliance and oversight purposes. This is especially true for states requiring prospective filings where the ability to predict minor transfers in the future may be difficult and processing these transfers may cause unnecessary and potentially costly delays for utility business operations. Historical reporting is preferable to prospective reporting unless the prospective reporting requirement is broad enough to cover the nature of acceptable transfers rather than the specifics of individual transfers. Finally, an annual requirement seems to best satisfy the needs for oversight without creating an undue burden on the utility or commission.

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OTHER MATTERS

Confidentiality - Survey Results

In a competitive marketplace, utilities could potentially be placed at a competitive disadvantage, especially as it pertains to their non-regulated affiliates, if sensitive information is not kept confidential by commissions requesting or mandating disclosure.

Results of the survey indicate that 91% of commissions responding recognize utility concerns regarding confidentiality. The majority of this 91% indicate they have established procedures that allow a utility to file certain information as confidential in order to meet this concern. At least 33% of the states responding also indicate that although confidential status may be requested by utilities, the commission has the power to override and deny the request.

Some commissions may perceive that they should *not* be held responsible for maintaining the confidentiality of information submitted by regulated utilities. It would be unreasonable for a commission to expect a utility to be held responsible for maintaining the confidentiality of this information, once the information has been submitted and is out of their control.

Confidentiality is certainly an issue that needs to be addressed in order to assure regulated utilities and their non-regulated affiliates that sensitive information provided to the commissions will remain confidential and not made public, potentially putting the filing entity at a competitive disadvantage.

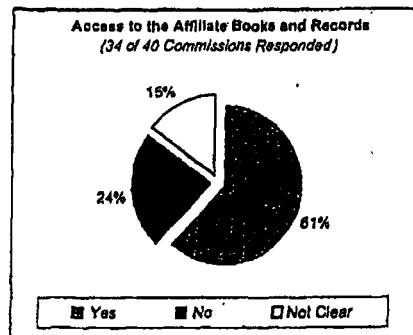
Audit Requirements

Access to Affiliate Books and Records - Survey Results

Commission access to the books and records of non-regulated affiliates as they pertain to affiliate transactions often appear in Code of Conduct proceedings. The level of access to non-regulated affiliate books and records is a key issue. From a regulator's standpoint, access to transactions between the regulated utility and non-regulated affiliates will ensure oversight authority and help detect possible cross subsidization. For utilities operating in a competitive market, the level of commission access to non-regulated affiliate books and records is particularly sensitive. Non-regulated competitors are not subject to commission oversight and may use information obtained by mandated disclosure to the non-regulated affiliate's competitive disadvantage. Some commissions may contend that open access of all books and records of non-regulated affiliates is necessary and required. Many utilities contend that while the regulatory agency may have access to *jurisdictional* transactions (i.e., those transactions with an impact on the cost of regulated services) between the regulated and non-regulated operations, transactions not pertaining to regulated operations should not be subject to regulator review.

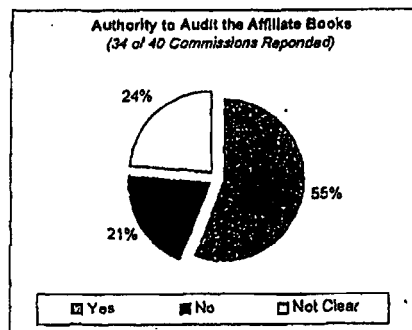
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Survey results indicated that while all commissions believe they have authority to access the regulated utility's books and records, significantly less, 61%, indicate they have access to the non-regulated affiliate's books and records with another 15% indicating access authority is not clear.



Audit Authority - Survey Results

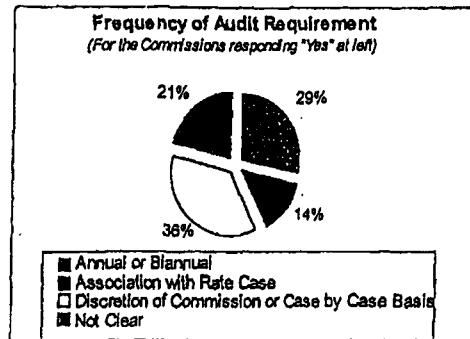
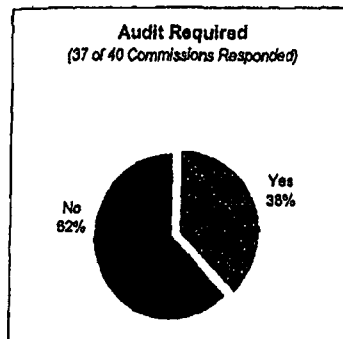
To ensure compliance with affiliate rules, the regulator may have the authority to mandate audits of the non-regulated affiliate, either by commission staff or by outside entities such as an independent audit firm. As mentioned previously, while 61% of commissions indicated they have access to a non-regulated affiliate's books and records, only 55% indicated they had the authority to mandate an audit of the affiliate. The states indicating authority to audit the non-regulated affiliate's books and records usually mandate an audit on an annual or biannual basis to ensure compliance with affiliate rules or in conjunction with a rate case.



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Audit Requirements - Survey Results

Beyond the issue of authority to audit is the actual implementation of audit requirements in many jurisdictions. The survey indicated that 38% of the responding state commissions currently have some form of audit requirement in place. Of these commissions requiring an audit, 29% mandate an annual or biannual independent audit of compliance with affiliate transaction rules. The remaining commissions, which specified a frequency, only require an audit when one is warranted or in conjunction with a rate case.



Defining the Term "Audit"

A further concern relating to the states requiring an audit, is the definition of the term "audit". In the classic sense this term would imply performing procedures on a test basis which would give the auditor an appropriate level of assurance that information is correct. With regards to many aspects of affiliate rules this would be particularly difficult, time consuming and costly. An example would be the requirement found in many states' affiliate rules that employees of the regulated utility and non-regulated affiliate not share marketing information regarding customers. Given that much of this sharing could occur through discussions, it would be very difficult and costly to gain the necessary assurance that these discussions were *not* taking place. There are several other subjective requirements, which would be difficult to "audit".

Certified Public Accounting ("CPA") firms could potentially perform other attestation services under Statements on Standards for Attestation Engagements ("SSAE") 3, *Compliance Attestation*, as amended by SSAE 4, *Agreed-Upon Procedures Engagements*, and issue a report accordingly. Additionally, CPA Firms could perform an audit of a schedule of affiliated transactions under Statements on Auditing Standards ("SAS") 62, *Special Reports*.

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The options for performing attestation services on the company's compliance with the affiliate transaction rules (or management's assertion thereof) would be as follows:

- Report on management's assertion of compliance
 - Agreed-Upon Procedures
 - Examination
 - Combination of above
- Report on management's assertion of the effectiveness of controls over compliance
 - Agreed-Upon Procedures
 - Examination

In all cases above, SSAE 3 requires that the auditor obtain a written assertion from management in order to provide attest services.

Under SAS 62 the auditor could perform an audit of a "Schedule of Affiliated Transactions." This would provide an "audit," as currently requested in some commission orders/proposals, however, this would only address financial concerns. Service under SAS 62 would obviously offer the highest level of assurance, on a limited area of compliance, however, the bulk of the requirements, which are qualitative in nature, would not be addressed. An agreed-upon procedure engagement as described above would remain the best option for addressing these qualitative concerns.

Conclusion

An agreed-upon procedures engagement concerning management's assertions regarding the utility's compliance with affiliate transaction rules is likely the lowest cost and best option, particularly given the possibly qualitative nature of the commission's requirements. The difficulty will be reaching an agreement with the regulators that such an engagement will satisfy the independent "audit" requirement as delineated in the orders/proposals.

A tangible economic cost exists for utilities required to undergo an audit or other procedures surrounding their compliance with affiliate rules, which must be considered. An alternative, which may prove less costly and still address regulator concerns, is utilized by the state of Illinois. The Illinois Commerce Commission requires the utility's internal audit department to perform an internal audit every two years. This provides some level of assurance that there is compliance at a cost to the company that should be less than that of an annual external audit. The policy of requiring audits or other procedures on an "as needed" basis, as adopted by many of the states, would also appear a reasonable and cost effective approach to assessing compliance.

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CONCLUSION

As restructuring of the electric industry continues, an increasing number of utilities will enter competitive markets and engage in non-regulated business operations. Regulatory proceedings addressing issues discussed in this paper, either through Codes of Conduct or through separate rules will also increase. This paper is intended to be used as a resource for discussing and communicating the basic accounting and economic issues related to cost allocation policies and procedures and transfer pricing methods.

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REFERENCES

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² Examples of Exempt Holding Companies include: Duke Energy Corporation, FPL Group, PG&E Corporation, PacifiCorp, Reliant Energy, Sempra Energy, and TXU Corp.

³ *Resolution Regarding Cost Allocation for the Energy Industry*, March 3, 1998 - NARUC Winter Meetings - Washington D.C.

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⁶ Michael A Crew and Paul R. Kleindorfer; "The Economics of Public Utility Regulation"; MIT Press, 1986.

⁷ Alfred E. Kahn; "The Economics of Regulation, Principles and Institutions", MIT Press, 1998.

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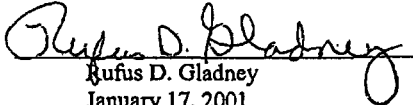
U-13000-ST-CE-736

Question:

89. Referring to Mr. Gladney's testimony at page 2, lines 1-6; Is it Mr. Gladney's understanding that the cost of (the) new general office facility is reflected and recovered in the company's cost of service in this rate proceeding?

Response:

Yes, those costs of the new general office facility included in 2002 are considered to be recoverable through this rate proceeding.


Rufus D. Gladney
January 17, 2001

Business Services Department

MICHIGAN PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

FILE U-13000

EXHIBIT NO. J-188

DATE 01/3/02 Merrell REPORTER

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Question:

91. Referring to page 3 of Mr. Gladney's testimony, is it Mr. Gladney's position that once the company's operating management approves a construction project or an O&M budget that neither the operating management or any other Consumers management or CMS Energy management will ever revise, reduce, increase or eliminate that project or budget approval?

Response:

I cannot confirm or deny future decisions that may or may not be made. My position is it is our intent that we will execute the project as planned.

Rufus D. Gladney /mkp

Rufus D. Gladney
January 24, 2001

Business Services Department

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**Goodman Water Company
Docket No. W-02500A-10-0382**

**THOMAS J. BOURASSA
REBUTTAL TESTIMONY
(RATE BASE, INCOME STATEMENT,
RATE DESIGN)**

July 12, 2011

EXHIBIT TJB-RJ3

Goodman Water Company
Test Year Ended December 31, 2009
Original Cost Rate Base Proforma Adjustments
Adjustment 3

Line No.				
1	¹ Adjusted per B-2, page 2			
2	² Computation of Net Tax Value at December 31, 2009			
3	Based on 2009 Tax Depreciation report (December 31, 2009)			
4	Unadjusted Cost per 2009 Tax Depr. Report	\$ 4,938,108		
5	Reconciling Items not on tax report:			
6	Adjusted land costs not on tax, on books (Staff adjusted Land Value)	114,322		
7	Net Unadjusted Cost tax Basis		\$ 5,052,430	
8				
9	Basis Reductions/Additions			
10	Basis Reduction 2009 and Prior Years (from 2009 Tax Depr. Report)	\$ (14,706)		
11	Advanced or contributed plant with no depreciable basis listed on 2009 Tax Depr. Report (after Staff AIAC adj)	(2,707,816)		
12	Accumulated Depreciation 2008 and prior (2009 Tax Depr Report)	(339,352)		
13	Excess capacity Tank	(72,350)		
14	Tax Depreciation related to Excess Capacity - Tank (2008)	4,341		
15	Excess capacity - Mains	128,600		
16	Tax Depreciation related to Excess Capacity - Mains (2008) (AIAC no depr)	-		
17	2009 Current Year Tax Depreciation	(101,491)		
18	Net Basis Reduction 2007 and Prior years			
19	Net tax value of plant-in-service at December 31, 2008			
20				
21	³ CIAC (including impact of change to probability of realization)			
22				
23	Gross CIAC per B-2	\$ -		
24	Less: Pre-1996 CIAC	-		
25	A.A. per B-2	\$ -		
26	A.A. on Pre-1996 CIAC			
27	A.A. on Post 1996 CIAC			
28	Net CIAC before unrealized AIAC		\$ -	
29				
30	Unrealized AIAC Component			
31	Adjusted Net AIAC (see footnote 4 below)	\$ 1,973,305		
32	Unrealized AIAC Component % (1-Realized AIAC Component)	70.0%		
33				
34	Total realizable CIAC		\$ 1,381,314	
35			\$ 1,381,314	
36	⁴ AIAC (including impact of change in probability of realization)			
37	AIAC (unadjusted)	\$ 2,101,905		
38	Less: AIAC disallowed	\$ (128,600)		
39	Less: Pre-1996 AIAC included for book and tax purposes			
40	Net AIAC before unrealized portion		\$ 1,973,305	
41	Less: Unrealized AIAC (from Note 4, above)		\$ (1,381,314)	
42	Net realizable AIAC		\$ 591,992	
43				
44	⁵ Effective tax rates Per C-3 schedule			

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EXHIBIT TJB-RJ4

Goodman Water Company
Revenue Breakdown Summary
Present Rates

Exhibit
Page 1

		Present Monthly Mins	Commodity First Tier	Commodity Second Tier	Commodity Third Tier	Total
5/8x3/4 Inch	Residential	\$ 268,941	\$ 83,954	\$ 61,951	\$ 24,582	\$ 439,428
3/4 Inch	Residential	\$ 65,326	\$ 13,156	\$ 11,843	\$ 6,410	\$ 96,735
1 Inch	Residential	\$ 3,798	\$ 1,471	\$ 738	\$ -	\$ 6,007
Subtotal		\$ 338,064	\$ 98,582	\$ 74,532	\$ 30,993	\$ 542,171
		58.00%	16.91%	12.79%	5.32%	93.01%
1 Inch	Commercial	\$ 3,798	\$ 3,635	\$ 13,685	\$ -	\$ 21,118
1 1/2 Inch	Commercial	\$ 2,538	\$ 35	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 2,573
2 Inch	Commercial	\$ 8,152	\$ 3,909	\$ 4,991	\$ -	\$ 17,052
Subtotal		\$ 14,488	\$ 7,580	\$ 18,676	\$ -	\$ 40,744
		2.49%	1.30%	3.20%	0.00%	6.99%
Construction/Standpipe		\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
		0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%
TOTALS		\$ 352,553	\$ 106,162	\$ 93,208	\$ 30,993	\$ 582,915
Percent of Total		60.48%	18.21%	15.99%	5.32%	100.00%
Cummulative %		60.48%	78.69%	94.68%	100.00%	

Goodman Water Company
Revenue Breakdown Summary
Company Proposed Rates

Exhibit
Page 2

		Present Monthly Mins	Commodity First Tier	Commodity Second Tier	Commodity Third Tier	Total
5/8x3/4 Inch	Residential	\$ 332,680	\$ 133,498	\$ 118,135	\$ 46,350	\$ 630,662
3/4 Inch	Residential	\$ 80,808	\$ 20,920	\$ 22,584	\$ 12,087	\$ 136,398
1 Inch	Residential	\$ 4,698	\$ 2,806	\$ 1,392	\$ -	\$ 8,895
Subtotal		\$ 418,185	\$ 157,224	\$ 142,110	\$ 58,436	\$ 775,956
		52.09%	19.58%	17.70%	7.28%	96.65%
1 Inch	Commercial	\$ 4,698	\$ 6,931	\$ 25,803	\$ -	\$ 37,432
1 1/2 Inch	Commercial	\$ 3,132	\$ 68	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 3,200
2 Inch	Commercial	\$ 10,023	\$ 7,455	\$ 9,410	\$ -	\$ 26,887
Subtotal		\$ 17,853	\$ 14,454	\$ 35,213	\$ -	\$ 67,519
		2.22%	1.80%	4.39%	0.00%	8.41%
Construction/Standpipe		\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
		0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%
TOTALS		\$ 428,208	\$ 164,679	\$ 151,520	\$ 58,436	\$ 802,843
Percent of Total		53.34%	20.51%	18.87%	7.28%	100.00%
Cummulative %		53.34%	73.85%	92.72%	100.00%	

Goodman Water Company Staff Revenue Proof
Revenue Breakdown Summary
Staff Proposed Rates

Exhibit
Page 3

		Present Monthly Mins	Commodity First Tier	Commodity Second Tier	Commodity Third Tier	Total
5/8x3/4 Inch	Residential	\$ 325,023	\$ 102,020	\$ 102,203	\$ 40,625	\$ 569,872
3/4 Inch	Residential	\$ 78,948	\$ 15,987	\$ 19,538	\$ 10,594	\$ 125,067
1 Inch	Residential	\$ 4,608	\$ 2,427	\$ 1,220	\$ -	\$ 8,255
Subtotal		\$ 408,579	\$ 120,435	\$ 122,962	\$ 51,219	\$ 703,194
		56.15%	16.55%	16.90%	7.04%	96.63%
1 Inch	Commercial	\$ 4,608	\$ 5,996	\$ 22,616	\$ -	\$ 33,220
1 1/2 Inch	Commercial	\$ 3,060	\$ 59	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 3,119
2 Inch	Commercial	\$ 9,792	\$ 6,450	\$ 8,247	\$ -	\$ 24,489
Subtotal		\$ 17,460	\$ 12,504	\$ 30,863	\$ -	\$ 60,828
		2.40%	1.72%	4.24%	0.00%	8.36%
Construction/Standpipe		\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
		0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%
TOTALS		\$ 418,371	\$ 126,885	\$ 131,209	\$ 51,219	\$ 727,683
Percent of Total		57.49%	17.44%	18.03%	7.04%	100.00%
Cumulative %		57.49%	74.93%	92.96%	100.00%	

Goodman Water Company RUCO Revenue Proof
Revenue Breakdown Summary
RUCO Proposed Rates

Exhibit
Page 4

		Present Monthly Mins	Commodity First Tier	Commodity Second Tier	Commodity Third Tier	Total
5/8x3/4 Inch	Residential	\$ 242,174	\$ 96,707	\$ 73,377	\$ 30,426	\$ 442,683
3/4 Inch	Residential	\$ 58,824	\$ 15,155	\$ 14,028	\$ 7,934	\$ 95,940
1 Inch	Residential	\$ 3,420	\$ 1,743	\$ 913	\$ -	\$ 6,076
Subtotal		\$ 304,418	\$ 113,604	\$ 88,318	\$ 38,360	\$ 544,700
		54.09%	20.19%	15.69%	6.82%	96.78%
1 Inch	Commercial	\$ 3,420	\$ 4,305	\$ 16,938	\$ -	\$ 24,663
1 1/2 Inch	Commercial	\$ 2,280	\$ 42	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 2,322
2 Inch	Commercial	\$ 7,296	\$ 4,631	\$ 6,177	\$ -	\$ 18,103
Subtotal		\$ 12,996	\$ 8,978	\$ 23,115	\$ -	\$ 45,088
		2.31%	1.60%	4.11%	0.00%	8.01%
Construction/Standpipe		\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
		0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%
TOTALS		\$ 311,714	\$ 118,235	\$ 94,495	\$ 38,360	\$ 562,803
Percent of Total		55.39%	21.01%	16.79%	6.82%	100.00%
Cummulative %		55.39%	76.39%	93.18%	100.00%	

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SCHEDULES

Goodman Water Company
Test Year Ended December 31, 2009
Computation of Increase in Gross Revenue
Requirements As Adjusted

Exhibit
Rejoinder Schedule A-1
Page 1
Witness: Bourassa

Line
No.

1	Fair Value Rate Base	\$	2,298,376
2			
3	Adjusted Operating Income		74,870
4			
5	Current Rate of Return		3.26%
6			
7	Required Operating Income	\$	227,309
8			
9	Required Rate of Return on Fair Value Rate Base		9.89%
10			
11	Operating Income Deficiency	\$	152,439
12			
13	Gross Revenue Conversion Factor		1.7098
14			
15	Increase in Gross Revenue Requirement	\$	260,648
16			
17			
18	Adjusted Test Year Revenues	\$	594,459
19	Increase in Gross Revenue Revenue Requirement	\$	260,648
20	Proposed Revenue Requirement	\$	855,107
21	% Increase		43.85%

Customer Classification		Present Rates	Proposed Rates	Dollar Increase	Percent Increase
<u>(Residential Commercial, Irrigation)</u>					
26	5/8x3/4 Inch Residential	\$ 435,860	\$ 625,588	\$ 189,728	43.53%
27	3/4 Inch Residential	84,711	119,680	34,969	41.28%
28	1 Inch Residential	7,230	10,803	3,572	49.41%
29					
30	1 Inch Commercial	\$ 17,582	\$ 31,159	13,577	77.22%
31	1 1/2 Inch Commercial	2,573	3,200	626	24.33%
32	2 Inch Commercial	17,052	26,887	9,835	57.67%
33					
34	Construction/Standpipe	\$ 3,556	\$ 6,705	3,149	88.55%
35					
36	Revenue Annualization	\$ 14,349	\$ 19,454	5,104	35.57%
37					
38	Subtotal	\$ 582,915	\$ 843,475	\$ 260,560	44.70%
39					
40	Other Water Revenues	13,738	13,738	-	0.00%
41	Reconciling Amount	(2,193)	(2,106)	87	-3.97%
42	Rounding			1	0.00%
43	Total of Water Revenues	\$ 594,460	\$ 855,107	\$ 260,648	43.85%

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46 SUPPORTING SCHEDULES:

47 B-1

48 C-1

49 C-3

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Goodman Water Company
Test Year Ended December 31, 2009
Summary of Rate Base

Exhibit
Rejoinder Schedule B-1
Page 1
Witness: Bourassa

Line No.		Original Cost Rate base	Fair Value Rate Base
1			
2	Gross Utility Plant in Service	\$ 5,346,411	\$ 5,346,411
3	Less: Accumulated Depreciation	<u>733,716</u>	<u>733,716</u>
4			
5	Net Utility Plant in Service	\$ 4,612,695	\$ 4,612,695
6			
7	<u>Less:</u>		
8	Advances in Aid of		
9	Construction	2,101,905	2,101,905
10	Contributions in Aid of		
11	Construction - Net of amortization	-	-
12	Customer Meter Deposits	83,087	83,087
13	Deferred Income Taxes & Credits	129,327	129,327
14	Investment tax Credits	-	-
15			
16			
17	<u>Plus:</u>		
18	Unamortized Finance		
19	Charges	-	-
20	Deferred Tax Assets	-	-
21	Allowance for Working Capital	-	-
22			
23			
24	Total Rate Base	<u>\$ 2,298,376</u>	<u>\$ 2,298,376</u>
25			
26			
27			
28	<u>SUPPORTING SCHEDULES:</u>		
29	B-2		
30	B-3		
31	B-5		
32			
33			

Goodman Water Company
Test Year Ended December 31, 2009
Original Cost Rate Base Proforma Adjustments

Exhibit
Rejoinder Schedule B-2
Page 1
Witness: Bourassa

Line No.		Adjusted at end of <u>Test Year</u>	Proforma Adjustments <u>Amount</u>	Rejoinder Adjusted at end of <u>Test Year</u>
1	Gross Utility			
2	Plant in Service	\$ 5,453,761	(107,350)	\$ 5,346,411
3				
4	Less:			
5	Accumulated			
6	Depreciation	731,205	2,510	733,716
7				
8				
9	Net Utility Plant			
10	in Service	\$ 4,722,556		\$ 4,612,695
11				
12	Less:			
13	Advances in Aid of			
14	Construction	2,101,905	-	2,101,905
15				
16	Contributions in Aid of			
17	Construction - Net	-	-	-
18				
19	Service Line and Meter Installation Chgs	83,087		83,087
20	Accumulated Deferred Income Tax	135,342	(6,016)	129,327
21				-
22				-
23				
24	Plus:			
25	Unamortized Finance			
26	Charges	-		-
27	Prepayments	-		-
28	Materials and Supplies			-
29	Working capital	-	-	-
30				-
31				
32	Total	<u>\$ 2,402,221</u>		<u>\$ 2,298,376</u>

36 SUPPORTING SCHEDULES:
37 B-2, pages 2
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RECAP SCHEDULES:
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Goodman Water Company
Test Year Ended December 31, 2009
Original Cost Rate Base Proforma Adjustments

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Line No.		Adjusted at end of Test Year	Proforma Adjustments			Rejoinder Adjusted at end of Test Year
			1	2	3	
			Plant-in-Service	Accumulated Depreciation	Accumulated Deferred Income Taxes	
1	Gross Utility					
2	Plant in Service	\$ 5,453,761	(107,350)			\$ 5,346,411
3						
4	Less:					
5	Accumulated					
6	Depreciation	731,205		2,510		733,716
7						
8						
9	Net Utility Plant					
10	in Service	\$ 4,722,556	\$ (107,350)	\$ (2,510)	\$ -	\$ 4,612,695
11						
12	Less:					
13	Advances in Aid of					
14	Construction	2,101,905				2,101,905
15						
16	Contributions in Aid of					
17	Construction (CIAC)	-				-
18						
19	Accumulated Amort of CIAC	-				-
20						
21	Service Line and Installaion Chgs	83,087				83,087
22	Accumulated Deferred Income Taxes	135,342			(6,016)	129,327
23						
24						
25	Plus:					
26	Unamortized Finance					
27	Charges	-				-
28	Prepayments					
29	Materials and Supplies	-				-
30	Allowance for Cash Working Capital	-				-
31						
32	Total	\$ 2,402,221	\$ (107,350)	\$ (2,510)	\$ 6,016	\$ 2,298,376
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Goodman Water Company
Test Year Ended December 31, 2009
Original Cost Rate Base Proforma Adjustments
Adjustment Number 1

Line No.	Plant-in-Service	Acct. No.	Description	Adjustments				Rejoinder Adjusted Original Cost
				A	B	C	D	
				Adjusted Original Cost	Remove Cost of Tank Oversizing	Land	Intentionally Left Blank	
1	Plant-in-Service			127,103				127,103
2								
3								
4								
5		301	Organization Cost					
6		302	Franchise Cost					
7		303	Land and Land Rights	494,159				
8		304	Structures and Improvements	182,570		(35,000)		459,159
9		305	Collecting and Impounding Res.					182,570
10		306	Lake River and Other Intakes					
11		307	Wells and Springs					
12		308	Infiltration Galleries and Tunnels	386,591				386,591
13		309	Supply Mains					
14		310	Power Generation Equipment					
15		311	Electric Pumping Equipment	968,652				
16		320	Water Treatment Equipment	15,947				968,652
17		320.1	Water Treatment Plant					0
18		320.2	Chemical Solution Feeders					
19		330	Dist. Reservoirs & Standpipe					
20		330.1	Storage tanks	836,890				15,947
21		330.2	Pressure Tanks		(72,350)			0
22		331	Trans. and Dist. Mains					
23		333	Services	1,611,321				312,477
24		334	Meters	386,947				452,063
25		335	Hydrants	94,263				1,611,321
26		336	Backflow Prevention Devices	161,737				386,947
27		339	Other Plant and Misc. Equip.					94,263
28		340	Office Furniture and Fixtures	187,582				161,737
29		340.1	Computers and Software					
30		341	Transportation Equipment					
31		342	Stores Equipment					
32		343	Tools and Work Equipment					
33		344	Laboratory Equipment					
34		345	Power Operated Equipment					
35		346	Communications Equipment					
36		347	Miscellaneous Equipment					
37		348	Other Tangible Plant					
38								
39			TOTALS	\$ 5,453,761	\$ (72,350)	\$ (35,000)	\$ -	\$ 5,346,411
40								
41			Plant-in-Service per Books					\$ 5,453,761
42								
43			Increase (decrease) in Plant-in-Service					\$ (107,350)
44								
45			Adjustment to Plant-in-Service					\$ (107,350)
46								
47			SUPPORTING SCHEDULES					
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Goodman Water Company
Plant Additions and Retirements

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Account No.	Description	Deprec. Rate After 4/16/2007	Deprec. Rate	Decision 9/30/2005	Accum. Depr.	Oct-Dec 2005 Plant Additions	Oct-Dec 2005 Plant Adjustments	Oct-Dec 2005 Adjusted Plant Additions	Oct-Dec 2005 Plant Retirements	Dec 2005 Plant Balance	Oct-Dec 2005 Depr.
301	Organization Cost	0.00%	0.00%	104,528	-	1,500	-	1,500	-	106,028	-
302	Franchise Cost	0.00%	0.00%	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
303	Land and Land Rights	0.00%	0.00%	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
304	Structures and Improvements	2.50%	3.33%	9,788	306	1,276	-	1,276	-	11,064	65
305	Collecting and Impounding Res.	2.50%	2.50%	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
306	Lake River and Other Intakes	2.50%	2.50%	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
307	Wells and Springs	2.50%	3.33%	386,591	17,925	-	-	-	-	386,591	2,416
308	Infiltration Galleries and Tunnels	2.50%	6.67%	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
309	Supply Mains	2.50%	2.00%	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
310	Power Generation Equipment	2.50%	5.00%	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
311	Electric Pumping Equipment	2.50%	12.50%	686,993	35,041	-	-	-	-	686,993	4,294
320	Water Treatment Equipment	2.50%	3.33%	11,054	345	-	-	-	-	11,054	69
320.1	Water Treatment Plant	2.50%	3.33%	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
320.2	Chemical Solution Feeders	2.50%	20.00%	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
330	Dist. Reservoirs & Standpipe	2.50%	2.22%	294,460	15,489	-	-	-	-	294,460	1,840
330.1	Storage tanks	2.50%	2.22%	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
330.2	Pressure Tanks	2.50%	5.00%	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
331	Trans. and Dist. Mains	2.50%	2.00%	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
333	Services	2.50%	3.33%	628,673	29,324	122,779	-	122,779	-	751,451	4,313
334	Meters	2.50%	8.33%	129,274	5,679	17,266	-	17,266	-	146,540	862
335	Hydrants	2.50%	2.00%	67,497	2,310	270	-	270	-	67,767	423
336	Backflow Prevention Devices	2.50%	6.67%	46,955	2,090	36,220	-	36,220	-	83,174	407
339	Other Plant and Misc. Equip.	2.50%	6.67%	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
340	Office Furniture and Fixtures	2.50%	6.67%	-	-	152,473	-	152,473	-	152,473	476
340.1	Computers and Software	2.50%	20.00%	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
341	Transportation Equipment	2.50%	20.00%	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
342	Stores Equipment	2.50%	4.00%	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
343	Tools and Work Equipment	2.50%	5.00%	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
344	Laboratory Equipment	2.50%	10.00%	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
345	Power Operated Equipment	2.50%	5.00%	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
346	Communications Equipment	2.50%	10.00%	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
347	Miscellaneous Equipment	2.50%	10.00%	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
348	Other Tangible Plant	2.50%	10.00%	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	Rounding			-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
				2							
TOTAL WATER PLANT											
				2,365,813	108,509	331,783	-	331,783	-	2,697,594	15,165

Account	No.	Description	Deprec. Rate		Deprec. After 4/16/2007		2006 Plant		2006 Adjustments		2006 Adjusted Plant		2006 Plant		2006 Deprec.	
			Rate	Rate	Rate	Rate	Additions	Retirements	Additions	Retirements	Additions	Retirements	Balance	Balance	Deprec.	Deprec.
	301	Organization Cost	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	4,920	-	4,920	-	4,920	-	110,948	-	-	-
	302	Franchise Cost	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	303	Land and Land Rights	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	304	Structures and Improvements	2.50%	3.33%	2.50%	3.33%	-	-	-	-	-	-	11,064	-	277	-
	305	Collecting and Impounding Res.	2.50%	2.50%	2.50%	2.50%	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	306	Lake River and Other Intakes	2.50%	2.50%	2.50%	2.50%	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	307	Wells and Springs	2.50%	3.33%	2.50%	3.33%	-	-	-	-	-	-	386,591	-	9,665	-
	308	Infiltration Galleries and Tunnels	2.50%	6.67%	2.50%	6.67%	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	309	Supply Mains	2.50%	2.00%	2.50%	2.00%	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	310	Power Generation Equipment	2.50%	5.00%	2.50%	5.00%	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	311	Electric Pumping Equipment	2.50%	12.50%	2.50%	12.50%	-	-	-	-	-	-	686,993	-	17,175	-
	320	Water Treatment Equipment	2.50%	3.33%	2.50%	3.33%	266	-	266	-	266	-	11,319	-	280	-
	320.1	Water Treatment Plant	2.50%	3.33%	2.50%	3.33%	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	320.2	Chemical Solution Feeders	2.50%	20.00%	2.50%	20.00%	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	330	Dist. Reservoirs & Standpipe	2.50%	2.22%	2.50%	2.22%	-	-	-	-	-	-	294,460	-	7,361	-
	330.1	Storage tanks	2.50%	2.22%	2.50%	2.22%	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	330.2	Pressure Tanks	2.50%	5.00%	2.50%	5.00%	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	331	Trans. and Dist. Mains	2.50%	2.00%	2.50%	2.00%	-	-	-	-	-	-	751,451	-	18,786	-
	333	Services	2.50%	3.33%	2.50%	3.33%	3	-	-	-	3	-	146,543	-	3,664	-
	334	Meters	2.50%	8.33%	2.50%	8.33%	270	-	270	-	270	-	68,037	-	1,698	-
	335	Hydrants	2.50%	2.00%	2.50%	2.00%	5	-	5	-	5	-	83,180	-	2,079	-
	336	Backflow Prevention Devices	2.50%	6.67%	2.50%	6.67%	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	339	Other Plant and Misc. Equip.	2.50%	6.67%	2.50%	6.67%	13,245	-	13,245	-	13,245	-	165,718	-	3,977	-
	340	Office Furniture and Fixtures	2.50%	20.00%	2.50%	20.00%	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	340.1	Computers and Software	2.50%	20.00%	2.50%	20.00%	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	341	Transportation Equipment	2.50%	20.00%	2.50%	20.00%	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	342	Stores Equipment	2.50%	4.00%	2.50%	4.00%	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	343	Tools and Work Equipment	2.50%	5.00%	2.50%	5.00%	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	344	Laboratory Equipment	2.50%	10.00%	2.50%	10.00%	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	345	Power Operated Equipment	2.50%	5.00%	2.50%	5.00%	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	346	Communications Equipment	2.50%	10.00%	2.50%	10.00%	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	347	Miscellaneous Equipment	2.50%	10.00%	2.50%	10.00%	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	348	Other Tangible Plant	2.50%	10.00%	2.50%	10.00%	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
		Rounding														
TOTAL WATER PLANT							18,709	-	18,709	-	18,709	-	2,716,303	-	64,962	-

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Account No.	Description	Deprec. Rate	Deprec. After 4/16/2007 Rate	2007 Plant Additions	2007 Plant Adjustments ¹	2007 Adjusted Plant Additions	2007 Plant Retirements	2007 Plant Balance	2007 Deprec.
301	Organization Cost	0.00%	0.00%	6,539	-	6,539	-	117,487	-
302	Franchise Cost	0.00%	0.00%	-	-	-	-	-	-
303	Land and Land Rights	0.00%	0.00%	-	-	-	-	-	-
304	Structures and Improvements	2.50%	3.33%	-	-	-	-	11,064	342
305	Collecting and Impounding Res.	2.50%	2.50%	-	-	-	-	-	-
306	Lake River and Other Intakes	2.50%	2.50%	-	-	-	-	-	-
307	Wells and Springs	2.50%	3.33%	-	-	-	-	386,591	11,938
308	Infiltration Galleries and Tunnels	2.50%	6.67%	-	-	-	-	-	-
309	Supply Mains	2.50%	2.00%	-	-	-	-	-	-
310	Power Generation Equipment	2.50%	5.00%	-	-	-	-	-	-
311	Electric Pumping Equipment	2.50%	12.50%	2,963	-	2,963	-	689,955	65,979
320	Water Treatment Equipment	2.50%	3.33%	4,628	-	4,628	-	15,947	421
320.1	Water Treatment Plant	2.50%	3.33%	-	-	-	-	-	-
320.2	Chemical Solution Feeders	2.50%	20.00%	-	-	-	-	-	-
330	Dist. Reservoirs & Standpipe	2.50%	2.22%	72,350	-	72,350	-	366,810	7,610
330.1	Storage tanks	2.50%	2.22%	-	-	-	-	-	-
330.2	Pressure Tanks	2.50%	5.00%	-	-	-	-	-	-
331	Trans. and Dist. Mains	2.50%	2.00%	685,094	-	685,094	-	1,436,546	23,475
333	Services	2.50%	3.33%	143,352	-	143,352	-	289,895	6,738
334	Meters	2.50%	8.33%	18,359	-	18,359	(6,580)	79,816	4,901
335	Hydrants	2.50%	2.00%	43,205	-	43,205	-	126,384	2,248
336	Backflow Prevention Devices	2.50%	6.67%	-	-	-	-	-	-
339	Other Plant and Misc. Equip.	2.50%	6.67%	759	-	759	-	166,477	9,059
340	Office Furniture and Fixtures	2.50%	6.67%	-	-	-	-	-	-
340.1	Computers and Software	2.50%	20.00%	-	-	-	-	-	-
341	Transportation Equipment	2.50%	20.00%	-	-	-	-	-	-
342	Stores Equipment	2.50%	4.00%	-	-	-	-	-	-
343	Tools and Work Equipment	2.50%	5.00%	-	-	-	-	-	-
344	Laboratory Equipment	2.50%	10.00%	-	-	-	-	-	-
345	Power Operated Equipment	2.50%	5.00%	-	-	-	-	-	-
346	Communications Equipment	2.50%	10.00%	-	-	-	-	-	-
347	Miscellaneous Equipment	2.50%	10.00%	-	-	-	-	-	-
348	Other Tangible Plant	2.50%	10.00%	-	-	-	-	-	-
	Rounding								
	TOTAL WATER PLANT			977,249	-	977,249	(6,580)	3,686,972	132,711

Account No.	Description	Deprec. Rate	Deprec. After 4/16/2007 Rate	2008 Plant Additions	2008 Plant Adjustments	2008 Adjusted Plant Additions	2008 Plant Retirements	2008 Plant Balance	2008 Deprec.
301	Organization Cost	0.00%	0.00%	9,616	-	9,616	-	127,103	-
302	Franchise Cost	0.00%	0.00%	-	-	-	-	-	-
303	Land and Land Rights	0.00%	0.00%	494,159	-	494,159	-	494,159	-
304	Structures and Improvements	2.50%	2.50%	171,506	-	171,506	-	182,570	3,224
305	Collecting and Impounding Res.	2.50%	2.50%	-	-	-	-	-	-
306	Lake River and Other Intakes	2.50%	2.50%	-	-	-	-	-	-
307	Wells and Springs	2.50%	2.50%	-	-	-	-	386,591	12,873
308	Infiltration Galleries and Tunnels	2.50%	2.50%	-	-	-	-	-	-
309	Supply Mains	2.50%	2.00%	-	-	-	-	-	-
310	Power Generation Equipment	2.50%	5.00%	-	-	-	-	-	-
311	Electric Pumping Equipment	2.50%	12.50%	275,541	-	275,541	-	965,496	103,466
320	Water Treatment Equipment	2.50%	3.33%	-	-	-	-	15,947	531
320.1	Water Treatment Plant	2.50%	3.33%	-	-	-	-	-	-
320.2	Chemical Solution Feeders	2.50%	20.00%	-	-	-	-	-	-
330	Dist. Reservoirs & Standpipe	2.50%	2.22%	470,081	-	470,081	-	836,890	13,361
330.1	Storage tanks	2.50%	2.22%	-	-	-	-	-	-
330.2	Pressure Tanks	2.50%	5.00%	-	-	-	-	-	-
331	Trans. and Dist. Mains	2.50%	2.00%	174,757	-	174,757	-	1,611,302	30,478
333	Services	2.50%	3.33%	97,051	-	97,051	-	386,947	11,269
334	Meters	2.50%	8.33%	9,299	-	9,299	-	89,115	7,036
335	Hydrants	2.50%	2.00%	35,352	-	35,352	-	161,737	2,881
336	Backflow Prevention Devices	2.50%	6.67%	-	-	-	-	-	-
339	Other Plant and Misc. Equip.	2.50%	6.67%	-	-	-	-	166,477	11,104
340	Office Furniture and Fixtures	2.50%	6.67%	-	-	-	-	-	-
340.1	Computers and Software	2.50%	20.00%	-	-	-	-	-	-
341	Transportation Equipment	2.50%	20.00%	-	-	-	-	-	-
342	Stores Equipment	2.50%	4.00%	-	-	-	-	-	-
343	Tools and Work Equipment	2.50%	5.00%	-	-	-	-	-	-
344	Laboratory Equipment	2.50%	10.00%	-	-	-	-	-	-
345	Power Operated Equipment	2.50%	5.00%	-	-	-	-	-	-
346	Communications Equipment	2.50%	10.00%	-	-	-	-	-	-
347	Miscellaneous Equipment	2.50%	10.00%	-	-	-	-	-	-
348	Other Tangible Plant	2.50%	10.00%	-	-	-	-	-	-
	Rounding			-	-	-	-	-	-
	TOTAL WATER PLANT			1,737,362	-	1,737,362	-	5,424,334	196,224

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Account	No.	Description	Deprec. Rate	Deprec. After 4/16/2007 Rate	2009 Plant Additions	2009 Plant Adjustments	2009 Adjusted Plant Additions	2009 Plant Retirements	2009 Plant Reclass	Plant Land & Tank Upsize	2009 Plant Balance	2009 A/D Reclass	2009 A/D Tank Upsize	2009 Deprec.
301		Organization Cost	0.00%	0.00%	-	-	-	-	-	-	127,103	-	-	-
302		Franchise Cost	0.00%	0.00%	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
303		Land and Land Rights	0.00%	0.00%	-	-	-	-	-	(35,000)	459,159	-	-	-
304		Structures and Improvements	2.50%	2.50%	-	-	-	-	-	-	182,570	-	-	6,080
305		Collecting and Impounding Res.	3.33%	3.33%	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
306		Lake River and Other Intakes	2.50%	2.50%	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
307		Wells and Springs	2.50%	2.50%	-	-	-	-	-	-	386,591	-	-	12,873
308		Infiltration Galleries and Tunnels	2.50%	2.50%	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
309		Supply Mains	2.50%	2.50%	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
310		Power Generation Equipment	2.50%	2.50%	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
311		Electric Pumping Equipment	2.50%	2.50%	3,155	-	3,155	-	-	-	968,652	(2,177)	-	120,884
320		Water Treatment Plant	2.50%	2.50%	-	-	-	-	(15,947)	-	0	-	-	531
320.1		Water Treatment Plant	2.50%	2.50%	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
320.2		Chemical Solution Feeders	2.50%	2.50%	-	-	-	-	-	-	15,947	2,177	-	-
330		Dist. Reservoirs & Standpipe	2.50%	2.22%	-	-	-	-	(836,890)	-	0	(64,241)	-	18,579
330.1		Storage tanks	2.50%	2.50%	-	-	-	-	384,827	(72,350)	312,477	29,540	(4,015)	-
330.2		Pressure Tanks	2.50%	2.50%	-	-	-	-	452,063	-	452,063	34,701	-	-
331		Trans. and Dist. Mains	2.50%	2.50%	18	-	18	-	-	-	1,611,321	-	-	32,226
333		Services	2.50%	2.50%	-	-	-	-	-	-	386,947	-	-	12,885
334		Meters	2.50%	2.50%	5,148	-	5,148	-	-	-	94,263	-	-	7,638
335		Hydrants	2.50%	2.50%	-	-	-	-	-	-	161,737	-	-	3,235
336		Backflow Prevention Devices	2.50%	2.50%	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
339		Other Plant and Misc. Equip.	2.50%	2.50%	21,105	-	21,105	-	-	-	187,582	-	-	11,808
340		Office Furniture and Fixtures	2.50%	2.50%	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
340.1		Computers and Software	2.50%	2.50%	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
341		Transportation Equipment	2.50%	2.50%	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
342		Stores Equipment	2.50%	2.50%	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
343		Tools and Work Equipment	2.50%	2.50%	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
344		Laboratory Equipment	2.50%	2.50%	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
345		Power Operated Equipment	2.50%	2.50%	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
346		Communications Equipment	2.50%	2.50%	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
347		Miscellaneous Equipment	2.50%	2.50%	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
348		Other Tangible Plant	2.50%	2.50%	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
		Rounding			-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
TOTAL WATER PLANT														
					29,426	-	29,426	-	-	(107,350)	5,346,411	-	(4,015)	226,739

Account	Deprec. Rate	After 4/16/2007 Rate	Year End Accumulated Depreciation by Account							
			Rate	Sept 30 2005	Dec. 2005	Dec. 2006	Dec. 2007	Dec. 2008	Dec. 2009	
NO. Description	0.00%	0.00%	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
301 Organization Cost	0.00%	0.00%	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
302 Franchise Cost	0.00%	0.00%	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
303 Land and Land Rights	0.00%	0.00%	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
304 Structures and Improvements	2.50%	3.33%	306	371	648	989	989	4,213	10,293	10,293
305 Collecting and Impounding Res.	2.50%	2.50%	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
306 Lake River and Other Intakes	2.50%	2.50%	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
307 Wells and Springs	2.50%	3.33%	17,925	20,341	30,006	41,944	41,944	54,817	67,691	67,691
308 Infiltration Galleries and Tunnels	2.50%	6.67%	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
309 Supply Mains	2.50%	2.00%	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
310 Power Generation Equipment	2.50%	5.00%	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
311 Electric Pumping Equipment	2.50%	12.50%	35,041	39,335	56,510	122,488	122,488	225,954	346,838	346,838
320 Water Treatment Equipment	2.50%	3.33%	345	414	694	1,115	1,115	1,646	(0)	(0)
320.1 Water Treatment Plant	2.50%	3.33%	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
320.2 Chemical Solution Feeders	2.50%	20.00%	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
330 Dist. Reservoirs & Standpipe	2.50%	2.22%	15,489	17,329	24,691	32,301	32,301	45,662	2,177	2,177
330.1 Storage tanks	2.50%	2.22%	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
330.2 Pressure Tanks	2.50%	5.00%	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
331 Trans. and Dist. Mains	2.50%	2.00%	29,324	33,637	52,423	75,899	75,899	106,377	138,603	138,603
333 Services	2.50%	3.33%	5,679	6,541	10,204	16,943	16,943	28,212	41,098	41,098
334 Meters	2.50%	8.33%	2,310	2,733	4,430	2,752	2,752	9,788	17,425	17,425
335 Hydrants	2.50%	2.00%	2,090	2,497	4,576	6,825	6,825	9,706	12,940	12,940
336 Backflow Prevention Devices	2.50%	6.67%	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
339 Other Plant and Misc. Equip.	2.50%	6.67%	-	476	4,454	13,512	13,512	24,616	36,424	36,424
340 Office Furniture and Fixtures	2.50%	6.67%	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
340.1 Computers and Software	2.50%	20.00%	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
341 Transportation Equipment	2.50%	20.00%	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
342 Stores Equipment	2.50%	4.00%	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
343 Tools and Work Equipment	2.50%	5.00%	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
344 Laboratory Equipment	2.50%	10.00%	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
345 Power Operated Equipment	2.50%	5.00%	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
346 Communications Equipment	2.50%	10.00%	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
347 Miscellaneous Equipment	2.50%	10.00%	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
348 Other Tangible Plant Rounding	2.50%	10.00%	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
TOTAL WATER PLANT			108,509	123,674	188,636	314,767	314,767	510,991	733,716	733,716

Goodman Water Company
Plant Reconciliation to Prior Rate Case

Line No.	Account No.	Description	Balance Per Company Per 2005 Filing Before Adj.	Company Rate Case Adjustments ¹	Staff Rate Case Adjustments ²	Intentionally Left Blank	Per Decision 69404 Prior Case Adjusted Plant
6	301	Organization Cost	104,528				104,528
7	302	Franchise Cost	-				-
8	303	Land and Land Rights	-				-
9	304	Structures and Improvements	9,788				9,788
10	305	Collecting and Impounding Res.	-				-
11	306	Lake River and Other Intakes	-				-
12	307	Wells and Springs	386,591				386,591
13	308	Infiltration Galleries and Tunnels	-				-
14	309	Supply Mains	-				-
15	310	Power Generation Equipment	-				-
16	311	Electric Pumping Equipment	686,993				686,993
17	320	Water Treatment Equipment	11,054				11,054
18	320.1	Water Treatment Plants	-				-
19	320.2	Chemical Solution Feeders	-				-
20	330	Distribution Reservoirs & Standpipe	294,460				294,460
21	330.1	Storage tanks	-				-
22	330.2	Pressure Tanks	-				-
23	331	Transmission and Distribution Mains	611,348		17,325		628,673
24	333	Services	129,274				129,274
25	334	Meters	56,742	10,755			67,497
26	335	Hydrants	46,955				46,955
27	336	Backflow Prevention Devices	-				-
28	339	Other Plant and Miscellaneous Equipment	-				-
29	340	Office Furniture and Fixtures	-				-
30	340.1	Computers and Software	-				-
31	341	Transportation Equipment	-				-
32	342	Stores Equipment	-				-
33	343	Tools and Work Equipment	-				-
34	344	Laboratory Equipment	-				-
35	345	Power Operated Equipment	-				-
36	346	Communications Equipment	-				-
37	347	Miscellaneous Equipment	-				-
38	348	Other Tangible Plant	-				-
39		Rounding	-	-	17,325	-	2
40		TOTAL	2,337,731	10,755	17,325	-	2,365,813

¹ Company proposed reclassified outside services expense to capital.

² Staff proposed reclassified outside services expense to capital.

Goodman Water Company
A/D Reconciliation to Prior Rate Case

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Rejoinder Schedule B-2
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Line No.	Account No.	Description	Balance Per Company Per 2005 Filing Before Adj.	Intentionally Left Blank	Intentionally Left Blank	Per Decision 69404 Prior Case Adjusted A/D	Intentionally Left Blank	Initial Balance
1	301	Organization Cost				-		-
2	302	Franchise Cost				-		-
3	303	Land and Land Rights				-		-
4	304	Structures and Improvements	306			306		306
5	305	Collecting and Impounding Res.				-		-
6	306	Lake River and Other Intakes				-		-
7	307	Wells and Springs	17,925			17,925		17,925
8	308	Infiltration Galleries and Tunnels				-		-
9	309	Supply Mains				-		-
10	310	Power Generation Equipment				-		-
11	311	Electric Pumping Equipment	35,041			35,041		35,041
12	312	Water Treatment Equipment	345			345		345
13	313	Water Treatment Plants				-		-
14	314	Chemical Solution Feeders				-		-
15	315	Distribution Reservoirs & Standpipe	15,489			15,489		15,489
16	316	Storage tanks				-		-
17	317	Pressure Tanks				-		-
18	318	Transmission and Distribution Mains				-		-
19	319	Services	29,324			29,324		29,324
20	320	Meters	5,679			5,679		5,679
21	321	Hydrants	2,310			2,310		2,310
22	322	Backflow Prevention Devices	2,090			2,090		2,090
23	323	Other Plant and Misc. Equip.				-		-
24	324	Office Furniture and Fixtures				-		-
25	325	Computers and Software				-		-
26	326	Transportation Equipment				-		-
27	327	Stores Equipment				-		-
28	328	Tools and Work Equipment				-		-
29	329	Laboratory Equipment				-		-
30	330	Power Operated Equipment				-		-
31	331	Communications Equipment				-		-
32	332	Miscellaneous Equipment				-		-
33	333	Other Tangible Plant				-		-
34	334	Rounding	2			2		2
35	335	TOTAL	108,511	-	-	108,511	-	108,511

Goodman Water Company
Test Year Ended December 31, 2009
Original Cost Rate Base Proforma Adjustments
Adjustment Number 1 - A

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Rejoinder Schedule B-2
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Line
No.

1		
2	<u>Plant Reclassification</u>	
3		
4	320 - Water Treatment Equipment	\$ (15,947)
5	320.2 - Chlorine Solution Feeders	\$ 15,947
6		
7	330 - Distribution Reservoirs and Standpipe	\$ (836,890)
8	330.1 - Storage Tanks	\$ 384,827
9	330.2 - Pressure Tanks	\$ 452,063
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14		
15	Net adjustment to plant-in-service	<u>\$ -</u>
16		
17		
18	<u>SUPPORTING SCHEDULES</u>	
19	Staff Schedule GTM-6	
20	Staff Schedule GTM-7	

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Rejoinder Schedule B-2
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No.

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Goodman Water Company
Test Year Ended December 31, 2009
Original Cost Rate Base Proforma Adjustments
Adjustment Number 1 - C

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Rejoinder Schedule B-2
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Line
No.

1

2 Adjustment to Land

3

4 303 - Land and Land Rights based on new appraisal \$ 459,159

5 303 - Land and Land Rights recorded at end of Test Year \$ 494,159

6 \$ (35,000)

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9 Adjustment to 303 - Land and Land Rights \$ (35,000)

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14 Reference

15 See Testimony

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Goodman Water Company
Test Year Ended December 31, 2009
Original Cost Rate Base Proforma Adjustments
Adjustment Number 2

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Line No.	Plant-in-Service	Acct. No.	Description	Adjusted Accum. Depr.	A Reclassify A/D Related to Plant Reclassification	B Remove A/D Related to Storage Tank Upsizing	C Difference to Computed Balance	D Intentionally Left Blank	Rejoinder Adjusted Accum. Depr.
1									
2									
3									
4									
5		301	Organization Cost	-			-	-	-
6		302	Franchise Cost	-			-	-	-
7		303	Land and Land Rights	-			-	-	-
8		304	Structures and Improvements	10,285			8		10,293
9		305	Collecting and Impounding Res.	-			-	-	-
10		306	Lake River and Other Intakes	-			-	-	-
11		307	Wells and Springs	67,423			267		67,691
12		308	Infiltration Galleries and Tunnels	-			-	-	-
13		309	Supply Mains	-			-	-	-
14		310	Power Generation Equipment	-			-	-	-
15		311	Electric Pumping Equipment	341,101			5,737		346,838
16		320	Water Treatment Equipment	2,167	(2,167)		(1)	(0)	(0)
17		320.1	Water Treatment Plant	-			-	-	-
18		320.2	Chemical Solution Feeders	-			-	-	-
19		330	Dist. Reservoirs & Standpipe	64,318	2,167		10		2,177
20		330.1	Storage tanks	-	(64,318)		(0)		0
21		330.2	Pressure Tanks	-	29,575	(4,015)	(35)		25,525
22		331	Trans. and Dist. Mains	-	34,743		(42)		34,701
23		333	Services	139,059			(456)		138,603
24		334	Meters	40,947			151		41,098
25		335	Hydrants	17,066			359		17,425
26		336	Backflow Prevention Devices	12,984			(44)		12,940
27		339	Other Plant and Misc. Equip.	-			-		-
28		340	Office Furniture and Fixtures	35,847			577		36,424
29		340.1	Computers and Software	-			-	-	-
30		341	Transportation Equipment	-			-	-	-
31		342	Stores Equipment	-			-	-	-
32		343	Tools and Work Equipment	-			-	-	-
33		344	Laboratory Equipment	-			-	-	-
34		345	Power Operated Equipment	-			-	-	-
35		346	Communications Equipment	-			-	-	-
36		347	Miscellaneous Equipment	-			-	-	-
37		348	Other Tangible Plant	-			-	-	-
38				-			-	-	-
39			TOTALS	\$ 731,198	\$ -	\$ (4,015)	\$ 6,533	\$ -	\$ 733,716
40									
41			Accumulated Depreciation per Books						\$ 731,205
42									
43			Increase (decrease) in Accumulated Depreciation						\$ 2,510
44									
45			Adjustment to Accumulated Depreciation						\$ 2,510
46									
47			SUPPORTING SCHEDULES						
48			B-2, pages 4.1 to 4.3						
49			B-2, pages 3.4 to 3.11						

Goodman Water Company
Test Year Ended December 31, 2009
Original Cost Rate Base Proforma Adjustments
Adjustment Number 2 - A

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Rejoinder Schedule B-2
Page 4.1
Witness: Bourassa

Line
No.

1		
2	<u>A/D Reclassification</u>	
3		
4	320 - Water Treatment Equipment	\$ (2,167)
5	320.2 - Chlorine Solution Feeders	\$ 2,167
6		
7	330 - Distribution Reservoirs and Standpipe	\$ (64,318)
8	330.1 - Storage Tanks	\$ 29,575
9	330.2 - Pressure Tanks	\$ 34,743
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14		
15	Net adjustment to plant-in-service	<u>\$ -</u>
16		
17		
18	<u>SUPPORTING SCHEDULES</u>	
19	Staff Schedule GTM-6	
20	Staff Schedule GTM-7	

Goodman Water Company
Test Year Ended December 31, 2009
Original Cost Rate Base Proforma Adjustments
Adjustment Number 2 - B

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Line

No.

1

2

Remove A/D related to 190,000 gallon upsizing of 530,000 gallon storage reservoir

3

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330.1 - Storage Tanks 2007 190,000 gallon upsize cost

\$ 72,350

6

Depreciation rate

2.22%

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Years (half year convention 2007-2009)

2.5

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Accumulated Depreciation (A/D)

\$ 4,015

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Adjustment to A/D 330.1 - Storage Tanks

\$ (4,015)

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Goodman Water Company
Test Year Ended December 31, 2009
Original Cost Rate Base Proforma Adjustments
Adjustment Number 2 - C

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Rejoinder Schedule B-2
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Line
No.

1			
2	<u>Remove A/D related to 190,000 gallon upsizing of 530,000 gallon storage reservoir</u>		
3			
4			
5	330.1 - Storage Tanks	2007 190,000 gallon upsize cost	\$ 72,350
6	Depreciation rate		2.22%
7	Years (half year convention 2007-2009)		2.5
8			
9	Accumulated Depreciation (A/D)		<u>\$ 4,015</u>
10			
11	Adjustment to A/D 330.1 - Storage Tanks		<u>\$ (4,015)</u>
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Goodman Water Company
Test Year Ended December 31, 2009
Original Cost Rate Base Proforma Adjustments
Adjustment 3

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Rejoinder Schedule B-2
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Line No.	<u>Accumulated Deferred Income Tax as of December 31, 2009</u>				Probabilty of Realization of Future Tax Benefit	Deductible TD (Taxable TD) Expected to be Realized	Tax Rate ⁵	Future Tax Asset		Future Tax Liability	
		Adjusted Book Value	Tax Value					Current	Non Current	Current	Non Current
1	Plant-in-Service	\$ 5,346,411 ¹									
2	Accum. Deprec.	(733,716) ¹									
3	CIAC	(1,471,334) ³									
4	Fixed Assets	\$ 3,141,362	\$ 2,168,787 ²	100.0%	\$ (972,575)	37.8%	-				(367,774)
5	AIAC		2,101,905 ⁴	30.0%	\$ 630,572 ⁴	37.8%	\$ 238,447				
6	Tax Benefits from O.L. Carry Forward			100.0%	\$ -	37.8%	\$ -				
7								\$ -	\$ 238,447	\$ -	\$ (367,774)
8	ADIT Net Asset (Liability) per Rejoinder					Net Asset (Liability)		\$ (129,327)			
9	ADIT Asset (Liability) per Direct							\$ (135,342)			
10	Adjustment to DIT							\$ (6,016)			

Footnotes - See page 5.1

Goodman Water Company
Test Year Ended December 31, 2009
Original Cost Rate Base Proforma Adjustments
Adjustment 3

Line No.				
1	¹ Adjusted per B-2, page 2			
2	² Computation of Net Tax Value at December 31, 2009			
3	Based on 2009 Tax Depreciation report (December 31, 2009)			
4	Unadjusted Cost per 2009 Tax Depr. Report	\$ 4,938,108		
5	Reconciling Items not on tax report:			
6	Land costs not on tax, on books	459,159		
7	Net Unadjusted Cost tax Basis		\$ 5,397,267	
8				
9	Basis Reductions/Additions			
10	Basis Reduction 2009 and Prior Years (from 2009 Tax Depr. Report)	\$ (14,706)		
11	Advanced or contributed plant with no depreciable basis listed on 2009 Tax Depr. Report	(2,707,816)		
12	Accumulated Depreciation 2008 and prior (2009 Tax Depr Report)	(339,352)		
13	Tank Upsizing B-2 Adjustment	(72,350)		
14	Tax Depreciation related to Tank Upsizing	7,235		
15	2009 Current Year Tax Depreciation	(101,491)		
16	Net Basis Reduction 2007 and Prior years			
17	Net tax value of plant-in-service at December 31, 2008		(3,228,480)	
18			\$ 2,168,787	
19	³ CIAC (including impact of change to probability of realization)			
20				
21	Gross CIAC per B-2	\$ -		
22	Less: Pre-1996 CIAC	-		
23	A.A per B-2	\$ -		
24	A.A on Pre-1996 CIAC	-		
25	A.A. on Post 1996 CIAC	-		
26	Net CIAC before unrealized AIAC		\$ -	
27				
28	Unrealized AIAC Component			
29	Adjusted Net AIAC (see footnote 5 below)	\$ 2,101,905		
30	Unrealized AIAC Component % (1-Realized AIAC Component)	70.0%		
31			\$ 1,471,334	
32	Total realizable CIAC		\$ 1,471,334	
33				
34	⁴ AIAC (including impact of change in probability of realization)			
35	AIAC per B-2	\$ 2,101,905		
36	Less: Pre-1996 AIAC included for book and tax purposes	-		
37	Net AIAC before unrealized portion		\$ 2,101,905	
38	Less: Unrealized AIAC (from Note 4, above)		\$ (1,471,334)	
39	Net realizable AIAC		\$ 630,572	
40				
41	⁵ Effective tax rates Per C-3 schedule			

Goodman Water Company
Test Year Ended December 31, 2009
Computation of Working Capital

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Schedule B-5
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Line
No.

1	Cash Working Capital (1/8 of Allowance		
2	Operation and Maintenance Expense)	\$	27,668
3	Pumping Power (1/24 of Pumping Power)		1,152
4	Purchased Water (1/24 of Purchased Water)		-
5			
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8			
9	Total Working Capital Allowance	\$	28,820
10			
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12	Working Capital Requested	\$	-
13			

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15 SUPPORTING SCHEDULES:
16 C-1

RECAP SCHEDULES:
B-1

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Total Operating Expense	519,589
Less:	
Income Tax	10,080
Property Tax	19,049
Depreciation	241,474
Purchased Water	-
Pumping Power	27,642
Allowable Expenses	221,344
1/8 of allowable expenses	27,668

Goodman Water Company
Test Year Ended December 31, 2009
Income Statement

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Rejoinder Schedule C-1
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Line No.		Test Year Book Results	Adjustment	Test Year Adjusted Results	Proposed Rate Increase	Adjusted with Rate Increase
1	Revenues					
2	Metered Water Revenues	\$ 559,013	\$ 21,708	\$ 580,721	\$ 260,648	\$ 841,369
3	Unmetered Water Revenues	-	-	-	-	-
4	Other Water Revenues	13,738	-	13,738	-	13,738
5		<u>\$ 572,751</u>	<u>\$ 21,708</u>	<u>\$ 594,459</u>	<u>\$ 260,648</u>	<u>\$ 855,107</u>
6	Operating Expenses					
7	Salaries and Wages	\$ 40,000	-	\$ 40,000	-	\$ 40,000
8	Purchased Water	-	-	-	-	-
9	Purchased Power	27,066	577	27,642	-	27,642
10	Chemicals	-	-	-	-	-
11	Repairs and Maintenance	7,746	-	7,746	-	7,746
12	Office Supplies and Expense	14,855	-	14,855	-	14,855
13	Outside Services	102,925	-	102,925	-	102,925
14	Water Testing	1,215	1,568	2,783	-	2,783
15	Rents	-	-	-	-	-
16	Transportation Expenses	-	-	-	-	-
17	Insurance - General Liability	9,669	-	9,669	-	9,669
18	Insurance - Health and Life	-	-	-	-	-
19	Regulatory Commission Expense - Rate Case	20,000	20,000	40,000	-	40,000
20	Miscellaneous Expense	378	-	378	-	378
21	Depreciation Expense	227,855	13,620	241,474	-	241,474
22	Taxes Other Than Income	2,988	-	2,988	-	2,988
23	Property Taxes	21,299	(2,250)	19,049	2,591	21,640
24	Income Tax	22,873	(12,794)	10,080	105,617	115,697
25		-	-	-	-	-
26	Total Operating Expenses	<u>\$ 498,868</u>	<u>\$ 20,721</u>	<u>\$ 519,589</u>	<u>\$ 108,208</u>	<u>\$ 627,797</u>
27	Operating Income	<u>\$ 73,883</u>	<u>\$ 987</u>	<u>\$ 74,870</u>	<u>\$ 152,439</u>	<u>\$ 227,309</u>
28	Other Income (Expense)					
29	Interest Income	-	-	-	-	-
30	Other income	-	-	-	-	-
31	Interest Expense	(37,309)	535	(36,774)	-	(36,774)
32	Other Expense	-	-	-	-	-
33		-	-	-	-	-
34	Total Other Income (Expense)	<u>\$ (37,309)</u>	<u>\$ 535</u>	<u>\$ (36,774)</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ (36,774)</u>
35	Net Profit (Loss)	<u>\$ 36,574</u>	<u>\$ 1,523</u>	<u>\$ 38,096</u>	<u>\$ 152,439</u>	<u>\$ 190,535</u>
36						
37	<u>SUPPORTING SCHEDULES:</u>				<u>RECAP SCHEDULES:</u>	
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Line No.	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	Rejoinder Test Year Adjusted Results	Proposed Rate Increase	Rejoinder Adjusted with Rate Increase
1	Revenues										
2	Metered Water Revenues	\$ 559,013		\$ 21,708					\$ 580,721	\$ 260,648	\$ 841,369
3	Unmetered Water Revenues	13,738							13,738		13,738
4	Other Water Revenues	\$ 572,751	\$ -	\$ 21,708	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 594,459	\$ 260,648	\$ 855,107
5	Operating Expenses										
6	Salaries and Wages	\$ 40,000							\$ 40,000	\$	\$ 40,000
7	Purchased Water	-							-		-
8	Purchased Power	27,066				577			27,642		27,642
9	Chemicals	-							-		-
10	Repairs and Maintenance	7,746							7,746		7,746
11	Office Supplies and Expense	14,855							14,855		14,855
12	Contractual Services	102,925							102,925		102,925
13	Water Testing	1,215			1,568				2,783		2,783
14	Rents	-							-		-
15	Transportation Expenses	-							-		-
16	Insurance - General Liability	9,669							9,669		9,669
17	Insurance - Health and Life	-							-		-
18	Reg. Comm. Exp. - Rate Case	20,000							40,000		40,000
19	Miscellaneous Expense	378							378		378
20	Depreciation Expense	227,855	13,620						241,474		241,474
21	Taxes Other Than Income	2,988							2,988		2,988
22	Property Taxes	21,299	(2,250)						19,049	2,591	21,640
23	Income Tax	22,873						(12,794)	10,080	105,617	115,697
24											
25	Total Operating Expenses	\$ 498,868	\$ 13,620	\$ (2,250)	\$ -	\$ 1,568	\$ 577	\$ (12,794)	\$ 519,589	\$ 108,208	\$ 627,798
26	Operating Income	\$ 73,883	\$ (13,620)	\$ 2,250	\$ 21,708	\$ (1,568)	\$ (577)	\$ -	\$ 74,870	\$ 152,439	\$ 227,309
27	Other Income (Expense)										
28	Interest Income	-							-		-
29	Other Income	-							-		-
30	Interest Expense	(37,309)							(36,774)		(36,774)
31	Other Expense	-							-		-
32											
33											
34	Total Other Income (Expense)	\$ (37,309)	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 535	\$ (36,774)	\$ -	\$ (36,774)
35	Net Profit (Loss)	\$ 36,574	\$ (13,620)	\$ 2,250	\$ 21,708	\$ (1,568)	\$ (577)	\$ 535	\$ 38,086	\$ 152,439	\$ 190,535
36											

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Adjustments to Revenues and Expenses

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Line No.	Adjustments to Revenues and Expenses							
	1	2	3	4	5	6	Subtotal	
	Depreciation Expense	Property Taxes	Rate Case Expense	Revenue Annualization	Water Testing	Annualize Purch. Power		
1								
2								
3	Revenues			21,708			21,708	
4								
5	Expenses	13,620	(2,250)	20,000	1,568	577	33,515	
6								
7	Operating							
8	Income	(13,620)	2,250	(20,000)	21,708	(1,568)	(577)	(11,806)
9								
10	Interest							
11	Expense							-
12	Other							
13	Income /							-
14	Expense							
15								
16	Net Income	(13,620)	2,250	(20,000)	21,708	(1,568)	(577)	(11,806)
17								
18								
19	Adjustments to Revenues and Expenses							
20	7	8	9	10	11	12	Subtotal	
21	Interest Synch.	Income Taxes						
22								
23	Revenues						21,708	
24								
25	Expenses	(12,794)					20,721	
26								
27	Operating							
28	Income	-	12,794	-	-	-	987	
29								
30	Interest							
31	Expense	535					535	
32	Other							
33	Income /						-	
34	Expense							
35								
36	Net Income	535	12,794	-	-	-	1,523	
37								

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Line No.	Acct.	Description	Adjusted Original Cost	Proposed Rates	Depreciation Expense
1		<u>Depreciation Expense</u>			
2					
3					
4	No.	Description	Cost	Rates	Expense
5	301	Organization Cost	127,103	0.00%	-
6	302	Franchise Cost	-	0.00%	-
7	303	Land and Land Rights	459,159	0.00%	-
8	304	Structures and Improvements	182,570	3.33%	6,080
9	305	Collecting and Impounding Res.	-	2.50%	-
10	306	Lake River and Other Intakes	-	2.50%	-
11	307	Wells and Springs	386,591	3.33%	12,873
12	308	Infiltration Galleries and Tunnels	-	6.67%	-
13	309	Supply Mains	-	2.00%	-
14	310	Power Generation Equipment	-	5.00%	-
15	311	Electric Pumping Equipment	968,652	12.50%	121,081
16	320	Water Treatment Equipment	0	3.33%	0
17	320.1	Water Treatment Plant	-	3.33%	-
18	320.2	Chemical Solution Feeders	15,947	20.00%	3,189
19	330	Dist. Reservoirs & Standpipe	0	2.22%	0
20	330.1	Storage tanks	312,477	2.22%	6,937
21	330.2	Pressure Tanks	452,063	5.00%	22,603
22	331	Trans. and Dist. Mains	1,611,321	2.00%	32,226
23	333	Services	386,947	3.33%	12,885
24	334	Meters	94,263	8.33%	7,852
25	335	Hydrants	161,737	2.00%	3,235
26	336	Backflow Prevention Devices	-	6.67%	-
27	339	Other Plant and Misc. Equip.	187,582	6.67%	12,512
28	340	Office Furniture and Fixtures	-	6.67%	-
29	340.1	Computers and Software	-	20.00%	-
30	341	Transportation Equipment	-	20.00%	-
31	342	Stores Equipment	-	4.00%	-
32	343	Tools and Work Equipment	-	5.00%	-
33	344	Laboratory Equipment	-	10.00%	-
34	345	Power Operated Equipment	-	5.00%	-
35	346	Communications Equipment	-	10.00%	-
36	347	Miscellaneous Equipment	-	10.00%	-
37	348	Other Tangible Plant	-	10.00%	-
38					
39		TOTALS	\$ 5,346,411		\$ 241,474
40					
41					
42		Less: Amortization of Contributions	\$ -	4.5166%	\$ -
43					
44					
45					
46		Total Depreciation Expense			\$ 241,474
47					
48		Adjusted Test Year Depreciation Expense per Direct			227,855
49					
50		Increase (decrease) in Depreciation Expense			13,620
51					
52		Adjustment to Revenues and/or Expenses			\$ 13,620
53					

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PROPERTY TAX EXPENSE

Line No.	DESCRIPTION	Test Year as Adjusted	Test Year at Proposed Rates
1	Company Adjusted Test Year Revenues - 2009	\$ 594,459	\$ 594,459
2	Weight Factor	2	2
3	Subtotal (Line 1 * Line 2)	1,188,918	1,188,918
4	Company Recommended Revenue	594,459	855,107
5	Subtotal (Line 4 + Line 5)	1,783,377	2,044,025
6	Number of Years	3	3
7	Three Year Average (Line 5 / Line 6)	594,459	681,342
8	Department of Revenue Multiplier	2	2
9	Revenue Base Value (Line 7 * Line 8)	1,188,918	1,362,683
10	Plus: 10% of CWIP - 2005	-	-
11	Less: Net Book Value of Licensed Vehicles	-	-
12	Full Cash Value (Line 9 + Line 10 - Line 11)	1,188,918	1,362,683
13	Assessment Ratio	20.0%	20.0%
14	Assessment Value (Line 12 * Line 13)	237,784	272,537
15	Composite Property Tax Rate - Obtained from ADOR	7.4558%	7.4558%
16	Test Year Adjusted Property Tax Expense (Line 14 * Line 15)	\$ 17,729	\$ 20,320
17	Tax on Parcels	1,320	1,320
18	Total Property Taxes (Line 16 + Line 17)	\$ 19,049	
19	Adjusted Test Year Property Taxes per Direct	\$ 21,299	
20	Adjustment to Test Year Property Taxes (Line 18 - Line 19)	\$ (2,250)	
21			
22	Property Tax on Company Recommended Revenue (Line 16 + Line 17)		\$ 21,640
23	Company Test Year Adjusted Property Tax Expense (Line 18)		\$ 19,049
24	Increase in Property Tax Due to Increase in Revenue Requirement		\$ 2,591
25			
26	Increase in Property Tax Due to Increase in Revenue Requirement (Line 24)		\$ 2,591
27	Increase in Revenue Requirement		\$ 260,648
28	Increase in Property Tax Per Dollar Increase in Revenue (Line 26 / Line 27)		0.99411%
29			
30	REFERENCES:		
31	Line 15: Composite Tax Rate obtained from Arizona Department of Revenue		
32	Line 19: Schedule C-1, Line 23		
33			
34			

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Line

No.

1	<u>Rate Case Expense</u>		
2			
3	Estimated Rate Case Expense	\$	160,000
4			
5	Estimated Amortization Period in Years		4
6			
7	Annual Rate Case Expense	\$	40,000
8			
9	Annual Rate Case Expense per Direct	\$	20,000
10			
11	Increase(decrease) Rate Case Expense	\$	20,000
12			
13	Adjustment to Revenue and/or Expense	\$	20,000
14			
15			
16			
17			
18			
19			
20			

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Adjustment Number 4

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Line

No.

1 Revenue Annualization

2

3

4 Rebuttal Revenue Annualization

\$ 14,349

5 Revenue Annualization per Direct

(7,359)

6

7 Total Revenue from Annualization

\$ 21,708

8

9

10 Adjustment to Revenue and/or Expense

\$ 21,708

11

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Revenue Annualization to Year End Customers:
Test Year Ended December 31, 2009

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Residential 3/4 Inch Meter

Line No.		Month of Jan	Month of Feb	Month of Mar	Month of Apr	Month of May	Month of Jun	Month of Jul
1	Year End Number of Customers	86	86	86	86	86	86	86
2	Actual Customers	69	70	71	71	70	70	71
3	Increase in Number of Customers/Bills	17	16	15	15	16	16	15
4	Average Revenue / Present Rates	\$ 83.90	\$ 87.33	\$ 86.01	\$ 89.67	\$ 98.01	\$ 94.43	\$ 98.37
5	Revenue Annualization / Present Rates	\$ 1,426	\$ 1,397	\$ 1,290	\$ 1,345	\$ 1,568	\$ 1,511	\$ 1,476
6								
7	Increase in Number of Customers	17	16	15	15	16	16	15
8	Average Revenue / Proposed Rates	\$ 112.58	\$ 119.13	\$ 116.61	\$ 123.59	\$ 139.49	\$ 132.65	\$ 140.18
9	Revenue Annualization / Proposed Rates	\$ 1,914	\$ 1,906	\$ 1,749	\$ 1,854	\$ 2,232	\$ 2,122	\$ 2,103
10	Additional Gallons to be Produced	81,805	86,294	77,543	86,838	115,208	105,494	108,916
11								
12								
13								
14								
15	Year End Number of Customers	86	86	86	86	86	86	86
16	Actual Customers	75	80	82	86	86	86	86
17	Increase in Number of Customers/Bills	11	6	4	-	-	-	131
18	Average Revenue / Present Rates	\$ 98.09	\$ 90.55	\$ 97.12	\$ 91.58	\$ 79.03		
19	Revenue Annualization / Present Rates	\$ 1,079	\$ 543	\$ 388	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 12,024	
20								
21	Increase in Number of Customers	11	6	4	-	-	-	
22	Average Revenue / Proposed Rates	\$ 139.65	\$ 125.27	\$ 137.79	\$ 127.22	\$ 103.32		
23	Revenue Annualization / Proposed Rates	\$ 1,079	\$ 543	\$ 388	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 16,719	
24	Additional Gallons to be Produced	79,352	35,628	28,197	-	-	805,274	

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Revenue Annualization to Year End Customers:
Test Year Ended December 31, 2009

Residential 1 Inch Meter

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Line No.		Month of Jan	Month of Feb	Month of Mar	Month of Apr	Month of May	Month of Jun	Month of Jul
1	Year End Number of Customers	3	3	3	3	3	3	3
2	Actual Customers	3	3	3	3	3	3	3
3	Increase in Number of Customers/Bills	-	-	-	(1)	(2)	(2)	(1)
4	Average Revenue / Present Rates	\$ 141.95	\$ 143.92	\$ 145.89	\$ 171.99	\$ 256.96	\$ 178.79	\$ 179.38
5	Revenue Annualization / Present Rates	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ (172)	\$ (514)	\$ (358)	\$ (179)
6								
7	Increase in Number of Customers	-	-	-	(1)	(2)	(2)	(1)
8	Average Revenue / Proposed Rates	\$ 200.01	\$ 203.76	\$ 207.52	\$ 257.29	\$ 418.94	\$ 270.25	\$ 271.38
9	Revenue Annualization / Proposed Rates	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ (257)	\$ (838)	\$ (541)	\$ (271)
10	Additional Gallons to be Produced	-	-	-	(11,251)	(50,201)	(24,801)	(12,501)
11								
12								
13								
14								
15	Year End Number of Customers	3	3	3	3	3	3	3
16	Actual Customers	3	3	3	3	3	3	3
17	Increase in Number of Customers/Bills	-	-	-	-	-	-	(6)
18	Average Revenue / Present Rates	\$ 141.95	\$ 155.74	\$ 159.68	\$ 153.77	\$ 134.07		
19	Revenue Annualization / Present Rates	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ (1,223)	
20								
21	Increase in Number of Customers	-	-	-	-	-	-	
22	Average Revenue / Proposed Rates	\$ 200.01	\$ 226.30	\$ 233.82	\$ 222.55	\$ 184.98		
23	Revenue Annualization / Proposed Rates	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ (1,907)	
24	Additional Gallons to be Produced	-	-	-	-	-	(98,753)	

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Revenue Annualization to Year End Customers:
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Commercial 1 Inch Meter

Line No.	Month of Jan	Month of Feb	Month of Mar	Month of Apr	Month of May	Month of Jun	Month of Jul
1	3	3	3	3	3	3	3
2	2	2	2	2	2	2	3
3	1	1	1	1	1	1	-
4	\$ 426.89	\$ 341.57	\$ 524.76	\$ 850.33	\$ 846.84	\$ 545.20	\$ 588.76
5	\$ 427	\$ 342	\$ 525	\$ 850	\$ 847	\$ 545	\$ -
6							
7	1	1	1	1	1	1	-
8	\$ 739.33	\$ 578.46	\$ 923.86	\$ 1,537.71	\$ 1,531.14	\$ 962.40	\$ 1,044.54
9	\$ 739	\$ 578	\$ 924	\$ 1,538	\$ 1,531	\$ 962	\$ -
10	\$ 49,001	\$ 37,001	\$ 62,765	\$ 108,555	\$ 108,065	\$ 65,640	\$ -
11							
12							
13							
14							
15	3	3	3	3	3	3	3
16	3	3	3	3	3	3	3
17	-	-	-	-	-	-	6
18	\$ 745.73	\$ 928.76	\$ 611.97	\$ 289.43	\$ 260.99		
19	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 3,536	
20							
21	-	-	-	-	-	-	
22	\$ 1,340.49	\$ 1,685.60	\$ 1,088.29	\$ 480.15	\$ 426.53		
23	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 6,273	
24	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 431,027	

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Revenue Annualization to Year End Customers:
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Line No.	Month of Jan	Month of Feb	Month of Mar	Month of Apr	Month of May	Month of Jun	Month of Jul
1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
2	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
3	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
4	\$ 211.50	\$ 211.50	\$ 211.50	\$ 211.50	\$ 232.19	\$ 226.28	\$ 211.50
5	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
6	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
7	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
8	\$ 261.01	\$ 261.01	\$ 261.01	\$ 261.01	\$ 300.46	\$ 289.19	\$ 261.01
9	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
10	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
11	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
12	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
13	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
14	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
15	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
16	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
17	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
18	\$ 211.50	\$ 211.50	\$ 211.50	\$ 211.50	\$ 211.50	\$ 211.50	\$ 211.50
19	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
20	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
21	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
22	\$ 261.01	\$ 261.01	\$ 261.01	\$ 261.01	\$ 261.01	\$ 261.01	\$ 261.01
23	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
24	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

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Revenue Annualization to Year End Customers:
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Commerical 2 Inch Meter

Line No.	Month of Jan	Month of Feb	Month of Mar	Month of Apr	Month of May	Month of Jun	Month of Jul
1	2	2	2	2	2	2	2
2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2
3	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
4	\$ 623.41	\$ 680.29	\$ 712.28	\$ 690.95	\$ 733.61	\$ 599.72	\$ 680.29
5	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
6	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
7	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
8	\$ 958.27	\$ 1,065.52	\$ 1,125.85	\$ 1,085.63	\$ 1,166.06	\$ 913.49	\$ 1,065.52
9	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
10	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
11	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
12	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
13	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
14	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
15	Month of Aug	Month of Sep	Month of Oct	Month of Nov	Month of Dec	Total Year	
16	2	2	2	2	2		
17	2	2	2	2	2		
18	\$ 816.44	\$ 542.10	\$ 339.68	\$ 1,638.71	\$ 339.68		
19	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -		
20	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -		
21	-	-	-	-	-		
22	\$ 1,322.23	\$ 803.60	\$ 417.61	\$ 2,872.61	\$ 417.61		
23	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -		
24	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -		

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Revenue Annualization to Year End Customers:
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Line No.		Month of Jan	Month of Feb	Month of Mar	Month of Apr	Month of May	Month of Jun	Month of Jul	Total Year
1	Year End Number of Customers	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2	Actual Customers	(1)	-	(1)	-	-	-	-	-
3	Increase in Number of Customers/Bills	\$ 2,592.02	\$ -	\$ 964.12	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
4	Average Revenue / Present Rates	\$ (2,592)	\$ -	\$ (964)	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
5	Revenue Annualization / Present Rates								
6									
7	Increase in Number of Customers	(1)	-	(1)	-	-	-	-	-
8	Average Revenue / Proposed Rates	\$ 4,887.22	\$ -	\$ 1,817.83	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
9	Revenue Annualization / Proposed Rates	\$ (4,887)	\$ -	\$ (1,818)	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
10	Additional Gallons to be Produced	(364,560)	-	(135,600)	-	-	-	-	-
11									
12									
13									
14									
15	Year End Number of Customers	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
16	Actual Customers	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	(2)
17	Increase in Number of Customers/Bills	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	\$ (3,556)
18	Average Revenue / Present Rates	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ (6,705)
19	Revenue Annualization / Present Rates	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	(500,160)
20									
21	Increase in Number of Customers	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
22	Average Revenue / Proposed Rates	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	-
23	Revenue Annualization / Proposed Rates	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	-
24	Additional Gallons to be Produced	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

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Adjustment to Revenues and Expenses
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Line
No.

1	<u>Water Testing Expense</u>	
2		
3		
4	Staff Recommended Water Testing Expense	\$ 2,783
5	Adjusted Test Year Water Testing Expense per Direct	<u>1,215</u>
6		
7		
8	Total	<u>\$ 1,568</u>
9		
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11	Adjustment to Revenue and/or Expense	<u>\$ 1,568</u>
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Test Year Ended December 31, 2001
Adjustment to Revenues and Expenses
Adjustment Number 6

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1	<u>Annualize power cost for additonal gallons from annualization of revenues</u>		
2			
3	Additonal gallons from annualization (in 1,000's) per Rejoinder	939	
4	Cost per 1,000 gallons	\$ 0.6145	
5			
6	Additonal Test Year Power Costs per Rejoinder	\$	577
7			
8	Additonal gallons from annualization (in 1,000's) per Direct	-	
9	Cost per 1,000 gallons	\$ 0.6145	
10			
11	Additonal Test Year Power Costs per Direct	\$	-
12			
13	Increase (decrease) in additional power costs from revenue annualization	\$	577
14			
15			
15	Adjustment to Revenue and/or Expense	\$	<u>577</u>
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Test Year Ended December 31, 2009
Adjustment to Revenues and Expenses
Adjustment Number 7

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1	<u>Interest Synchronization</u>		
2			
3			
4	Fair Value Rate Base	\$	2,298,376
5	Weighted Cost of Debt		1.60%
6	Interest Expense	\$	36,774
7			
8	Test Year Interest Expense	\$	<u>37,309</u>
9			
10	Increase (decrease) in Interest Expense		(535)
11			
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14	Adjustment to Revenue and/or Expense	\$	<u>535</u>

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16					
17	<u>Weighted Cost of Debt Computation</u>				
18					
19		<u>Amount</u>	<u>Percent</u>	<u>Cost</u>	<u>Weighted Cost</u>
20	Debt	\$ 507,451	18.27%	8.50%	1.55%
21	Equity	\$ 2,269,765	81.73%	10.20%	8.34%
22	Total	\$ 2,777,216	100.00%		<u>9.89%</u>

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Test Year Ended December 31, 2009
Adjustment to Revenues and/or Expenses
Adjustment Number 8

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Line No.					
1	<u>Income Tax Computation</u>				
2					
3					
4			Test Year		Adjusted
5			Adjusted		with Rate
6			Results		Increase
7					
8					
9	Taxable Income		\$ 48,176		\$ 306,232
10					
11					
12					
13	Income Before Taxes		<u>\$ 48,176</u>		<u>\$ 306,232</u>
14					
15	Arizona Income Before Taxes		\$ 48,176		\$ 306,232
16					
17	Less Arizona Income Tax		<u>\$ 3,357</u>		<u>\$ 21,338</u>
18	Rate =	6.97%			
19	Arizona Taxable Income		\$ 44,819		\$ 284,894
20					
21	Arizona Income Taxes		\$ 3,357		\$ 21,338
22					
23	Federal Income Before Taxes		\$ 48,176		\$ 306,232
24					
25	Less Arizona Income Taxes		<u>\$ 3,357</u>		<u>\$ 21,338</u>
26					
27	Federal Taxable Income		<u>\$ 44,819</u>		<u>\$ 284,894</u>
28					
29					
30					
31	FEDERAL INCOME TAXES:				
32	15% BRACKET		\$ 6,723		\$ 7,500
33	25% BRACKET		\$ -		\$ 6,250
34	34% BRACKET		\$ -	Federal	\$ 8,500 Federal
35	39% BRACKET		\$ -	Effective	\$ 72,109 Effective
36	34% BRACKET		\$ -	Tax	\$ - Tax
37				Rate	Rate
38	Federal Income Taxes		<u>\$ 6,723</u>	13.95%	<u>\$ 94,359</u> 30.81%
39					
40					
41	Total Income Tax		<u>\$ 10,080</u>		<u>\$ 115,697</u>
42					
43	Overall Tax Rate		<u>20.92%</u>		<u>37.78%</u>
44					
45	Income Tax		\$ 10,080		\$ 115,697
46	Test Year Income tax Expense		22,873		10,080
47	Adjustment to Income Tax Expense		<u>\$ (12,794)</u>		<u>\$ 105,617</u>

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Test Year Ended December 31, 2009
Computation of Gross Revenue Conversion Factor

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Line No.	Description	Percentage of Incremental Gross Revenues
1	Combined Federal and State Effective Income Tax Rate	40.93%
2		
3	Property Taxes	0.59%
4		
5		
6	Total Tax Percentage	41.52%
7		
8	Operating Income % = 100% - Tax Percentage	58.48%
9		
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13	<u>1</u> = Gross Revenue Conversion Factor	
14	Operating Income %	1.7098
15		
16	<u>SUPPORTING SCHEDULES:</u>	<u>RECAP SCHEDULES:</u>
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GROSS REVENUE CONVERSION FACTOR

LINE NO.	DESCRIPTION	(A)	(B)	(C)	(D)	(E)	(F)
<u>Calculation of Gross Revenue Conversion Factor:</u>							
1	Revenue	100.0000%					
2	Uncollectible Factor (Line 11)	0.0000%					
3	Revenues (L1 - L2)	100.0000%					
4	Combined Federal and State Income Tax and Property Tax Rate (Line 23)	41.5152%					
5	Subtotal (L3 - L4)	58.4848%					
6	Revenue Conversion Factor (L1 / L5)	1.709846					
<u>Calculation of Uncollectible Factor:</u>							
7	Unity	100.0000%					
8	Combined Federal and State Tax Rate (Line 17)	40.9280%					
9	One Minus Combined Income Tax Rate (L7 - L8)	59.0720%					
10	Uncollectible Rate	0.0000%					
11	Uncollectible Factor (L9 * L10)		0.0000%				
<u>Calculation of Effective Tax Rate:</u>							
12	Operating Income Before Taxes (Arizona Taxable Income)	100.0000%					
13	Arizona State Income Tax Rate	6.9680%					
14	Federal Taxable Income (L12 - L13)	93.0320%					
15	Applicable Federal Income Tax Rate (Line 44)	36.5035%					
16	Effective Federal Income Tax Rate (L14 x L15)	33.9600%					
17	Combined Federal and State Income Tax Rate (L13 + L16)		40.9280%				
<u>Calculation of Effective Property Tax Factor:</u>							
18	Unity	100.0000%					
19	Combined Federal and State Income Tax Rate (L17)	40.9280%					
20	One Minus Combined Income Tax Rate (L18-L19)	59.0720%					
21	Property Tax Factor	0.9941%					
22	Effective Property Tax Factor (L20*L21)		0.5872%				
23	Combined Federal and State Income Tax and Property Tax Rate (L17+L22)			41.5152%			
24	Required Operating Income	\$ 227,309					
25	Adjusted Test Year Operating Income (Loss)	\$ 74,870					
26	Required Increase in Operating Income (L24 - L25)		\$ 152,439				
27	Income Taxes on Recommended Revenue (Col. (F), L52)	\$ 115,697					
28	Income Taxes on Test Year Revenue (Col. (C), L52)	\$ 10,080					
29	Required Increase in Revenue to Provide for Income Taxes (L27 - L28)		\$ 105,618				
30	Recommended Revenue Requirement	\$ 855,107					
31	Uncollectible Rate (Line 10)	0.0000%					
32	Uncollectible Expense on Recommended Revenue (L24 * L25)	\$ -					
33	Adjusted Test Year Uncollectible Expense	\$ -					
34	Required Increase in Revenue to Provide for Uncollectible Exp.		\$ -				
35	Property Tax with Recommended Revenue	\$ 21,640					
36	Property Tax on Test Year Revenue	\$ 19,049					
37	Increase in Property Tax Due to Increase in Revenue (L35-L36)		\$ 2,591				
38	Total Required Increase in Revenue (L26 + L29 + L37)		\$ 260,648				
<u>Calculation of Income Tax:</u>							
39	Revenue	\$ 594,459	\$ 594,459				
40	Operating Expenses Excluding Income Taxes	\$ 509,509	\$ 509,509				
41	Synchronized Interest (L47)	\$ 36,774	\$ -				
42	Arizona Taxable Income (L30 - L31 - L32)	\$ 84,950	\$ 48,176	\$ -			
43	Arizona State Income Tax Rate		6.9680%	6.9680%			
44	Arizona Income Tax (L33 x L34)	\$ 3,357	\$ 3,357	\$ -			
45	Federal Taxable Income (L33 - L35)	\$ 81,593	\$ 44,819	\$ -			
46	Federal Tax on First Income Bracket (\$1 - \$50,000) @ 15%	\$ 6,723	\$ 6,723	\$ -			
47	Federal Tax on Second Income Bracket (\$50,001 - \$75,000) @ 25%	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -			
48	Federal Tax on Third Income Bracket (\$75,001 - \$100,000) @ 34%	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -			
49	Federal Tax on Fourth Income Bracket (\$100,001 - \$335,000) @ 39%	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -			
50	Federal Tax on Fifth Income Bracket (\$335,001 - \$10,000,000) @ 34%	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -			
51	Total Federal Income Tax	\$ 6,723	\$ 6,723	\$ -			
52	Combined Federal and State Income Tax (L35 + L42)	\$ 10,080	\$ 10,080	\$ -			
53	COMBINED Applicable Federal Income Tax Rate [Col. (D), L51 - Col. (A), L51] / [Col. (D), L45 - Col. (A), L45]		20.92%				
54	WATER Applicable Federal Income Tax Rate [Col. (E), L51 - Col. (B), L51] / [Col. (E), L45 - Col. (B), L45]				43.1064%		
55						36.5035%	
<u>Calculation of Interest Synchronization:</u>							
56	Rate Base	\$ 2,298,376					
57	Weighted Average Cost of Debt	1.60%					
58	Synchronized Interest (L45 X L46)	\$ 36,774					

(A)	(B)	(C)	(D)	(E)	(F)
Test Year			At Proposed Rates		
Total			Total		
Goodman Water Company			Goodman Water Company		
\$	594,459	\$ 594,459	\$	855,107	\$ 855,107
\$	509,509	\$ 509,509	\$	512,100	\$ 512,100
\$		\$ 36,774	\$	36,774	\$ 36,774
\$	84,950	\$ 48,176	\$	306,233	\$ 306,233
\$		6.9680%	\$	6.9680%	6.9680%
\$	3,357	\$ 3,357	\$	21,338	\$ 21,338
\$	81,593	\$ 44,819	\$	284,895	\$ 284,895
\$	6,723	\$ 6,723	\$	7,500	\$ 7,500
\$	-	\$ -	\$	6,250	\$ 6,250
\$	-	\$ -	\$	8,500	\$ 8,500
\$	-	\$ -	\$	72,109	\$ 72,109
\$	-	\$ -	\$	-	\$ -
\$	6,723	\$ 6,723	\$	94,359	\$ 94,359
\$	10,080	\$ 10,080	\$	115,697	\$ 115,697

Goodman Water Company
 Analysis of Revenue by Detailed Class
 Test Year Ended December 31, 2009

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Line No.	Customer Classification and/or Meter Size	(a) Average Number of Customers at 12/31/2009	Average Consumption	Average Bill		Proposed Increase		Percent of Customers
				Present Rates	Proposed Rates	Dollar Amount	Percent Amount	
1	5/8x3/4 Inch Residential	527	5,520 \$	66.98 \$	94.46 \$	27.47	41.01%	86.21%
2	3/4 Inch Residential	75	6,028	91.08	126.28	35.19	38.64%	12.29%
3	1 Inch Residential	4	10,750	169.04	251.66	82.62	48.88%	0.57%
4								
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6	1 Inch Commercial	3	70,291 \$	578.27 \$	1,024.76 \$	446.48	77.21%	0.41%
7	1 1/2 Inch Commercial	1	500	214.46	266.64	52.19	24.33%	0.16%
8	2 Inch Commercial	2	56,809	689.59	1,083.06	393.47	57.06%	0.33%
9								
10	Construction/Standpipe	0	250,080 \$	1,778.07 \$	3,352.52	1,574.45	88.55%	0.03%
11								
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15	Totals	611						100.00%
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17	Actual Year End Number of Customers:	626						
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Goodman Water Company
 Analysis of Revenue by Detailed Class
 Test Year Ended December 31, 2009

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Line No.	Customer Classification and/or Meter Size	(a) Average Number of Customers at 12/31/2009	Median Bill		Proposed Increase		Percent of Customers
			Present Rates	Proposed Rates	Dollar Amount	Percent Amount	
1	5/8x3/4 Inch Residential	527	\$ 60.96	\$ 82.96	\$ 22.01	36.10%	86.21%
2	3/4 Inch Residential	75	82.06	109.06	27.01	32.91%	12.29%
3	1 Inch Residential	4	146.87	209.39	62.52	42.57%	0.57%
4							
5							
6	1 Inch Commercial	3	405.56	699.11	\$ 293.55	72.38%	0.41%
7	1 1/2 Inch Commercial	1	211.50	261.01	49.51	23.41%	0.16%
8	2 Inch Commercial	2	537.67	795.15	257.48	47.89%	0.33%
9							
10	Construction/Standpipe	0	1,778.07	3,352.52	\$ 1,574.45	88.55%	0.03%
11							
12							
13							
14	Totals	611					100.00%
15							
16	Actual Year End Number of Customers:	626					
17							
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Test Year Ended December 31, 2009
Present and Proposed Rates

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Line No.	Monthly Usage Charge for: <u>Meter Size (All Classes):</u>	<u>Present Rates</u>	<u>Proposed Rates</u>	<u>Change</u>	<u>Percent Change</u>
1		\$	42.20	\$	
2	5/8 Inch		52.20	10.00	23.70%
3	3/4 Inch		63.30	78.30	23.70%
4	1 Inch		105.50	130.50	23.70%
5	1 1/2 Inch		211.50	261.01	23.41%
6	2 Inch		339.68	417.61	22.94%
7	3 Inch		675.20	835.22	23.70%
8	4 Inch		1,055.00	1,305.04	23.70%
9	6 Inch		2,110.00	2,610.07	23.70%

Gallons In Minimum (All Classes)

Commodity Rates <u>(All Classes)</u>	<u>Block</u>	<u>Present Rate</u>	<u>Proposed Rate</u>
		(Per 1,000 gallons)	
5/8 Inch	1 gallons to 4,000 gallons	\$ 3.95	\$ 6.28
	4,001 gallons to 9,000 gallons	\$ 5.91	\$ 11.27
	over 9,000 gallons	\$ 7.11	\$ 13.41
3/4 Inch Meter	1 gallons to 4,000 gallons	\$ 3.95	\$ 6.28
	4,001 gallons to 9,000 gallons	\$ 5.91	\$ 11.27
	over 9,000 gallons	\$ 7.11	\$ 13.41

NT = No Tariff

Goodman Water Company
Test Year Ended December 31, 2009
Present and Proposed Rates

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Line No.	Commodity Rates (All Classes)	Block	(Per 1,000 gallons)	
			Present Rate	Proposed Rate
1				
2				
3				
4	1 Inch Meter	1 gallons to 22,500 gallons	\$ 5.91	\$ 11.27
5		over 22,500 gallons	\$ 7.11	\$ 13.41
6				
7				
8	1.5 Inch Meter	1 gallons to 34,000 gallons	\$ 5.91	\$ 11.27
9		over 34,000 gallons	\$ 7.11	\$ 13.41
10				
11				
12	2 Inch Meter	1 gallons to 45,000 gallons	\$ 5.91	\$ 11.27
13		over 45,000 gallons	\$ 7.11	\$ 13.41
14				
15				
16	3 Inch Meter	1 gallons to 68,000 gallons	\$ 5.91	\$ 11.27
17		over 68,000 gallons	\$ 7.11	\$ 13.41
18				
19				
20	4 Inch Meter	1 gallons to 90,000 gallons	\$ 5.91	\$ 11.27
21		over 90,000 gallons	\$ 7.11	\$ 13.41
22				
23				
24	6 Inch Meter	1 gallons to 135,000 gallons	\$ 5.91	\$ 11.27
25		over 135,000 gallons	\$ 7.11	\$ 13.41
26				
27				
28				
29	Construction/Standpipe	All gallons	\$ 7.11	\$ 13.41
30				
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33				
34				
35				
36				
37				
38				
39				

NT = No Tariff

Goodman Water Company
Present and Proposed Rates
Test Year Ended December 31, 2009

Line No.	Meter and Service Line Charges ¹	Present Meter Install- ation Charge	Present Service Line Charge	Proposed Meter Install- ation Charge	Proposed Service Line Charge	Total Present Charge	Total Proposed Charge
7	5/8 x 3/4 Inch			\$ 135.00	\$ 385.00	\$ 225.00	\$ 520.00
8	3/4 Inch			205.00	415.00	270.00	620.00
9	1 Inch			265.00	465.00	300.00	730.00
10	1 1/2 Inch			475.00	520.00	425.00	995.00
11	2 Inch Turbo			995.00	800.00	550.00	1,795.00
12	2 Inch, Compound			1,840.00	800.00	550.00	2,640.00
13	3 Inch Turbo			1,620.00	1,015.00	750.00	2,635.00
14	3 Inch, compound			2,495.00	1,135.00	750.00	3,630.00
15	4 Inch Turbo			2,570.00	1,430.00	1,375.00	4,000.00
16	4 Inch, compound			3,545.00	1,610.00	1,375.00	5,155.00
17	6 Inch Turbo			4,925.00	2,150.00	2,800.00	7,075.00
18	6 Inch, compound			6,820.00	2,270.00	2,800.00	9,090.00

¹ Based on ACC Staff Engineering Memo dated February 21, 2008

Other Charges:

	Current Rates
Establishment	\$ 50.00
Establishment (After Hours)	\$ 75.00
Reconnection (Delinquent)	\$ 75.00
Reconnection (After hours)	\$ 50.00
Meter Test	\$ 20.00
Deposit	PER RULE
Deposit Interest	PER RULE
Re-establishment (Within 12 months)	PER RULE
NSF Check	\$ 15.00
Deferred Payment, per month	1.5%
Meter Re-read	\$ 20.00
Late Charge	1.5%
Customer requested Meter Test	\$ 20.00
After hours service charge	\$ 10.00
Turn-on/off (at customer request)	NT
Moving Customer Meter (at customer request)	NT

Proposed Rates
\$ 50.00
NT
\$ 75.00
NT
\$ 20.00
PER RULE
6.00%
PER RULE
\$ 15.00
1.5%
\$ 20.00
1.5%
\$ 20.00
\$ 50.00
NT
Cost

Establishment (R14-2-403.D.1)
Establishment (After Hours) (R14-2-403.D.2)
Meter Test (R14-2-408.F)
Deposit (R14-2-403.B)
Deposit Interest (R14-2-403.B.3)
Re-establishment (R14-2-403.D.1)
NSF Check (R14-2-409.F.1)
Deferred Payment (R14-2-409.G.6)
Meter Re-read (R14-2-408.C.2)
Moving Meter (R14-2-405.B)

(a) \$ 5.00 minimum or 1.5% of unpaid balance whichever is greater.

Goodman Water Company
 Bill Comparison of Present and Proposed Rates
 Customer Classification Residential 5/8x3/4 Inch Meter
 Test Year Ended December 31, 2009
 (Excludes all Revenue Related Taxes)

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Usage	Present Bill	Proposed Bill	Dollar Increase	Percent Increase
-	\$ 42.20	\$ 52.20	\$ 10.00	23.70%
1,000	46.15	58.48	12.33	26.72%
2,000	50.10	64.76	14.66	29.27%
3,000	54.05	71.04	16.99	31.44%
4,000	58.00	77.33	19.33	33.32%
5,000	63.91	88.60	24.69	38.62%
6,000	69.82	99.87	30.05	43.03%
7,000	75.73	111.13	35.40	46.75%
8,000	81.64	122.40	40.76	49.93%
9,000	87.55	133.67	46.12	52.68%
10,000	94.66	147.08	52.42	55.38%
12,000	108.88	173.89	65.01	59.71%
14,000	123.10	200.70	77.60	63.04%
16,000	137.32	227.52	90.20	65.68%
18,000	151.54	254.33	102.79	67.83%
20,000	165.76	281.14	115.38	69.61%
25,000	201.31	348.17	146.86	72.95%
30,000	236.86	415.20	178.34	75.29%
35,000	272.41	482.23	209.82	77.02%
40,000	307.96	549.25	241.29	78.35%
45,000	343.51	616.28	272.77	79.41%
50,000	379.06	683.31	304.25	80.26%
60,000	450.16	817.37	367.21	81.57%
70,000	521.26	951.43	430.17	82.52%
80,000	592.36	1,085.49	493.13	83.25%
90,000	663.46	1,219.54	556.08	83.82%
100,000	734.56	1,353.60	619.04	84.27%

Present Rates:
 Monthly Minimum: \$ 42.20
 Gallons in Minimum Charge Per 1,000 Gallons -
 Up to 4,000 \$ 3.95
 Over 9,000 \$ 5.91
 Over 9,000 \$ 7.11

Proposed Rates:
 Monthly Minimum: \$ 52.20
 Gallons in Minimum Charge Per 1,000 Gallons -
 Up to 4,000 \$ 6.28
 Up to 9,000 \$ 11.27
 Over 9,000 \$ 13.41

Average Usage				
5,520	\$ 66.98	\$ 94.46	\$ 27.47	41.01%
Median Usage				
4,500	\$ 60.96	\$ 82.96	\$ 22.01	36.10%

Goodman Water Company
Bill Comparison of Present and Proposed Rates
Customer Classification
Residential 3/4 Inch Meter
Test Year Ended December 31, 2009
(Excludes all Revenue Related Taxes)

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<u>Usage</u>	<u>Present</u> <u>Bill</u>	<u>Proposed</u> <u>Bill</u>	<u>Dollar</u> <u>Increase</u>	<u>Percent</u> <u>Increase</u>				
-	\$ 63.30	\$ 78.30	\$ 15.00	23.70%				
1,000	67.25	84.58	\$ 17.33	25.77%				
2,000	71.20	90.86	\$ 19.66	27.62%				
3,000	75.15	97.15	\$ 22.00	29.27%				
4,000	79.10	103.43	\$ 24.33	30.75%				
5,000	85.01	114.70	\$ 29.69	34.92%				
6,000	90.92	125.97	\$ 35.05	38.55%				
7,000	96.83	137.24	\$ 40.41	41.73%				
8,000	102.74	148.51	\$ 45.77	44.54%				
9,000	108.65	159.78	\$ 51.13	47.05%				
10,000	115.76	173.18	\$ 57.42	49.60%				
12,000	129.98	199.99	\$ 70.01	53.86%				
14,000	144.20	226.80	\$ 82.60	57.28%				
16,000	158.42	253.62	\$ 95.20	60.09%				
18,000	172.64	280.43	\$ 107.79	62.43%				
20,000	186.86	307.24	\$ 120.38	64.42%				
25,000	222.41	374.27	\$ 151.86	68.28%				
30,000	257.96	441.30	\$ 183.34	71.07%				
35,000	293.51	508.33	\$ 214.82	73.19%				
40,000	329.06	575.35	\$ 246.29	74.85%				
45,000	364.61	642.38	\$ 277.77	76.18%				
50,000	400.16	709.41	\$ 309.25	77.28%				
60,000	471.26	843.47	\$ 372.21	78.98%				
70,000	542.36	977.53	\$ 435.17	80.24%				
80,000	613.46	1,111.59	\$ 498.13	81.20%				
90,000	684.56	1,245.64	\$ 561.08	81.96%				
100,000	755.66	1,379.70	\$ 624.04	82.58%				
Average Usage								
6,028	\$ 91.08	\$ 126.28	\$ 35.19	38.64%				
Median Usage								
4,500	\$ 82.06	\$ 109.06	\$ 27.01	32.91%				

Present Rates:
 Monthly Minimum: \$ 63.30
 Gallons in Minimum -
 Charge Per 1,000 Gallons
 Up to 4,000 \$ 3.95
 Over 9,000 \$ 5.91
 Over 9,000 \$ 7.11

Proposed Rates:
 Monthly Minimum: \$ 78.30
 Gallons in Minimum -
 Charge Per 1,000 Gallons
 Up to 4,000 \$ 6.28
 Up to 9,000 \$ 11.27
 Over 9,000 \$ 13.41

Goodman Water Company
Bill Comparison of Present and Proposed Rates
Customer Classification Residential 1 Inch Meter
Test Year Ended December 31, 2009
(Excludes all Revenue Related Taxes)

Exhibit
 Rejoinder Schedule H-4
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<u>Usage</u>	<u>Present Bill</u>	<u>Proposed Bill</u>	<u>Dollar Increase</u>	<u>Percent Increase</u>
-	\$ 105.50	\$ 130.50	\$ 25.00	23.70%
1,000	111.41	141.77	\$ 30.36	27.25%
2,000	117.32	153.04	\$ 35.72	30.45%
3,000	123.23	164.31	\$ 41.08	33.34%
4,000	129.14	175.58	\$ 46.44	35.96%
5,000	135.05	186.85	\$ 51.80	38.36%
6,000	140.96	198.12	\$ 57.16	40.55%
7,000	146.87	209.39	\$ 62.52	42.57%
8,000	152.78	220.66	\$ 67.88	44.43%
9,000	158.69	231.93	\$ 73.24	46.15%
10,000	164.60	243.20	\$ 78.60	47.75%
12,000	176.42	265.74	\$ 89.32	50.63%
14,000	188.24	288.28	\$ 100.04	53.15%
16,000	200.06	310.82	\$ 110.76	55.36%
18,000	211.88	333.36	\$ 121.48	57.33%
20,000	223.70	355.90	\$ 132.20	59.10%
25,000	256.25	417.59	\$ 161.34	62.96%
30,000	291.80	484.62	\$ 192.82	66.08%
35,000	327.35	551.65	\$ 224.30	68.52%
40,000	362.90	618.68	\$ 255.78	70.48%
45,000	398.45	685.70	\$ 287.25	72.09%
50,000	434.00	752.73	\$ 318.73	73.44%
60,000	505.10	886.79	\$ 381.69	75.57%
70,000	576.20	1,020.85	\$ 444.65	77.17%
80,000	647.30	1,154.91	\$ 507.61	78.42%
90,000	718.40	1,288.97	\$ 570.57	79.42%
100,000	789.50	1,423.02	\$ 633.52	80.24%
Average Usage				
10,750	\$ 169.04	\$ 251.66	\$ 82.62	48.88%
Median Usage				
7,000	\$ 146.87	\$ 209.39	\$ 62.52	42.57%

Present Rates:
 Monthly Minimum:
 Gallons in Minimum \$ 105.50
 Charge Per 1,000 Gallons -
 Up to 22,500 \$ 5.91
 Over 22,500 \$ 7.11

Proposed Rates:
 Monthly Minimum:
 Gallons in Minimum \$ 130.50
 Charge Per 1,000 Gallons -
 Up to 22,500 \$ 11.27
 Over 22,500 \$ 13.41

Goodman Water Company
 Bill Comparison of Present and Proposed Rates
 Customer Classification Commercial 1 Inch Meter
 Test Year Ended December 31, 2009

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 Rejoinder Schedule H-4
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 Witness: Bourassa

Usage	Present Bill	Proposed Bill	Dollar Increase	Percent Increase
-	\$ 105.50	\$ 130.50	\$ 25.00	23.70%
1,000	111.41	141.77	\$ 30.36	27.25%
2,000	117.32	153.04	\$ 35.72	30.45%
3,000	123.23	164.31	\$ 41.08	33.34%
4,000	129.14	175.58	\$ 46.44	35.96%
5,000	135.05	186.85	\$ 51.80	38.36%
6,000	140.96	198.12	\$ 57.16	40.55%
7,000	146.87	209.39	\$ 62.52	42.57%
8,000	152.78	220.66	\$ 67.88	44.43%
9,000	158.69	231.93	\$ 73.24	46.15%
10,000	164.60	243.20	\$ 78.60	47.75%
12,000	176.42	265.74	\$ 89.32	50.63%
14,000	188.24	288.28	\$ 100.04	53.15%
16,000	200.06	310.82	\$ 110.76	55.36%
18,000	211.88	333.36	\$ 121.48	57.33%
20,000	223.70	355.90	\$ 132.20	59.10%
25,000	256.25	417.59	\$ 161.34	62.96%
30,000	291.80	484.62	\$ 192.82	66.08%
35,000	327.35	551.65	\$ 224.30	68.52%
40,000	362.90	618.68	\$ 255.78	70.48%
45,000	398.45	685.70	\$ 287.25	72.09%
50,000	434.00	752.73	\$ 318.73	73.44%
60,000	505.10	886.79	\$ 381.69	75.57%
70,000	576.20	1,020.85	\$ 444.65	77.17%
80,000	647.30	1,154.91	\$ 507.61	78.42%
90,000	718.40	1,288.97	\$ 570.57	79.42%
100,000	789.50	1,423.02	\$ 633.52	80.24%
Average Usage				
70,291	\$ 578.27	\$1,024.76	\$ 446.48	77.21%
Median Usage				
46,000	\$ 405.56	\$ 699.11	\$ 293.55	72.38%

Present Rates:
 Monthly Minimum: \$ 105.50
 Gallons in Minimum Charge Per 1,000 Gallons -
 Up to 22,500 \$ 5.91
 Over 22,500 \$ 7.11

Proposed Rates:
 Monthly Minimum: \$ 130.50
 Gallons in Minimum Charge Per 1,000 Gallons -
 Up to 22,500 \$ 11.27
 Over 22,500 \$ 13.41

Goodman Water Company
 Bill Comparison of Present and Proposed Rates
 Customer Classification Commercial 1.5 Inch Meter Page 5
 Test Year Ended December 31, 2009

Exhibit

Rejoinder Schedule H-4

Witness: Bourassa

Usage	Present Bill	Proposed Bill	Dollar Increase	Percent Increase
-	\$ 211.50	\$ 261.01	\$ 49.51	23.41%
1,000	217.41	272.28	\$ 54.87	25.24%
2,000	223.32	283.55	\$ 60.23	26.97%
3,000	229.23	294.82	\$ 65.59	28.61%
4,000	235.14	306.09	\$ 70.95	30.17%
5,000	241.05	317.36	\$ 76.31	31.66%
6,000	246.96	328.63	\$ 81.67	33.07%
7,000	252.87	339.90	\$ 87.03	34.42%
8,000	258.78	351.17	\$ 92.39	35.70%
9,000	264.69	362.44	\$ 97.75	36.93%
10,000	270.60	373.71	\$ 103.11	38.10%
12,000	282.42	396.24	\$ 113.82	40.30%
14,000	294.24	418.78	\$ 124.54	42.33%
16,000	306.06	441.32	\$ 135.26	44.20%
18,000	317.88	463.86	\$ 145.98	45.92%
20,000	329.70	486.40	\$ 156.70	47.53%
25,000	359.25	542.75	\$ 183.50	51.08%
30,000	388.80	599.10	\$ 210.30	54.09%
35,000	419.55	657.59	\$ 238.04	56.74%
40,000	455.10	724.62	\$ 269.52	59.22%
45,000	490.65	791.64	\$ 300.99	61.35%
50,000	526.20	858.67	\$ 332.47	63.18%
60,000	597.30	992.73	\$ 395.43	66.20%
70,000	668.40	1,126.79	\$ 458.39	68.58%
80,000	739.50	1,260.85	\$ 521.35	70.50%
90,000	810.60	1,394.91	\$ 584.31	72.08%
100,000	881.70	1,528.96	\$ 647.26	73.41%
Average Usage				
500	\$ 214.46	\$ 266.64	\$ 52.19	24.33%
Median Usage				
-	\$ 211.50	\$ 261.01	\$ 49.51	23.41%

Present Rates:
 Monthly Minimum: \$ 211.50
 Gallons in Minimum -
 Charge Per 1,000 Gallons
 Up to 34,000 \$ 5.91
 Over 34,000 \$ 7.11

Proposed Rates:
 Monthly Minimum: \$ 261.01
 Gallons in Minimum -
 Charge Per 1,000 Gallons
 Up to 34,000 \$ 11.27
 Over 34,000 \$ 13.41

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Goodman Water Company
 Bill Comparison of Present and Proposed Rates
 Customer Classification Construction Water
 Test Year Ended December 31, 2009
 (Excludes all Revenue Related Taxes)

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 Rejoinder Schedule H-4
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 Witness: Bourassa

<u>Usage</u>	<u>Present</u> Bill	<u>Proposed</u> Bill	<u>Dollar</u> Increase	<u>Percent</u> Increase
1,000	7.11	13.41	6.30	0.00%
2,000	14.22	26.81	12.59	88.55%
3,000	21.33	40.22	18.89	88.55%
4,000	28.44	53.62	25.18	88.55%
5,000	35.55	67.03	31.48	88.55%
6,000	42.66	80.43	37.77	88.55%
7,000	49.77	93.84	44.07	88.55%
8,000	56.88	107.25	50.37	88.55%
9,000	63.99	120.65	56.66	88.55%
10,000	71.10	134.06	62.96	88.55%
12,000	85.32	160.87	75.55	88.55%
14,000	99.54	187.68	88.14	88.55%
16,000	113.76	214.49	100.73	88.55%
18,000	127.98	241.30	113.32	88.55%
20,000	142.20	268.12	125.92	88.55%
25,000	177.75	335.15	157.40	88.55%
30,000	213.30	402.17	188.87	88.55%
35,000	248.85	469.20	220.35	88.55%
40,000	284.40	536.23	251.83	88.55%
45,000	319.95	603.26	283.31	88.55%
50,000	355.50	670.29	314.79	88.55%
60,000	426.60	804.35	377.75	88.55%
70,000	497.70	938.41	440.71	88.55%
80,000	568.80	1,072.46	503.66	88.55%
90,000	639.90	1,206.52	566.62	88.55%
100,000	711.00	1,340.58	629.58	88.55%
Average Usage	\$ 1,778.07	\$ 3,352.52	\$ 1,574.45	88.55%
Median Usage	\$ 1,778.07	\$ 3,352.52	\$ 1,574.45	88.55%

Present Rates:
 Monthly Minimum:
 Gallons in Minimum
 Charge Per 1,000 Gallons
 All Gallons

Proposed Rates:
 Monthly Minimum:
 Gallons in Minimum
 Charge Per 1,000 Gallons
 All Gallons

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6 **BEFORE THE ARIZONA CORPORATION COMMISSION**

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8 IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION
9 OF GOODMAN WATER COMPANY, AN
10 ARIZONA CORPORATION, FOR (i) A
11 DETERMINATION OF THE FAIR VALUE
12 OF ITS UTILITY PLANT AND PROPERTY
AND (ii) AN INCREASE IN ITS WATER
RATES AND CHARGES FOR UTILITY
SERVICE BASED THEREON.

DOCKET NO. W-02500A-10-0382

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17 **REJOINDER TESTIMONY OF**

18 **MARK F. TAYLOR**

19
20 **ON BEHALF OF GOODMAN WATER COMPANY**

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22
23 **July 12, 2011**
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1 **Q.1 Please state your name for the record.**

2 A.1 My name is Mark F. Taylor.

3

4 **Q.2 Have you previously filed testimony regarding this docket?**

5 A.2 Yes. I filed Rebuttal Testimony in this docket on May 2, 2011.

6

7 **Q.3 What was the purpose of your Rebuttal Testimony?**

8 A.3 In response to certain parties assertions that the Company has water utility plant capacity
9 which is "excess," or "not used and useful," and thus should not be recognized for
10 ratemaking purposes, I described the circumstances and criteria which influenced the
11 design and sizing of the Company's water system, as set forth in the March 15, 2001
12 Master Water Plan prepared by WestLand Resources.¹ I also explained why water plant
13 additions were undertaken at various points in time over the years, in connection with
14 implementation of the Master Water Plan.

15

16 **Q.4 What is the purpose of your Rejoinder Testimony?**

17 A.4 My Rejoinder Testimony will address that portion of RUCO's surrebuttal testimony
18 pertaining to its excess capacity adjustment and proposed concept of reserve margin for
19 planning purposes. In addition, my rejoinder will address the cost impacts of constructing
20 water plants based on RUCO's concept of an annual 10% reserve margin for planning
21 purposes. In the process, I also address certain plant-related recommendations of Staff
22 witnesses Marlin Scott, Jr. and Gordon Fox.

23

24 **Q.5 Do you have any adjustments that you would like to make to your Rebuttal**

25

¹ A copy of the March 15, 2001 water master plan was attached to my Rebuttal Testimony as Appendix "A."

26

Testimony filed on May 2, 2011?

A.5 Yes, it is related to my analysis of Mr. Scott's "Excess Storage Capacity" argument at page 5 of Exhibit MJS of his Direct Testimony. Specifically, on page 18 of my Rebuttal Testimony (A.22) I calculated the conversion of commercial acres to EDU's using an assumption of 83 commercial acres. The March 15, 2001 Water Master Plan had assumed there would be 83 commercial acres in the subdivision, including 12 acres for the Oracle School District ("District") facility. In 2005, the District decided not to construct the school at this location and released the site for alternate use by the Developer. As a result, the Developer changed the land use of these 12 acres to a combination of (i) approximately 2.6 acres of park and recreation area, and (ii) additional residential lots. In turn, this reduced the commercial acres in the subdivision to approximately 73.6 acres, rather than the 83 originally assumed. I became aware of this circumstance after the filing of my Rebuttal Testimony.

Q.6 Please describe the adjustments you would like to make to your calculation of commercial EDU's resulting from the change in commercial acreage from 83 to 73.6.

A.6 At page 18, line 9, I would like to change "83 commercial acres" to "73.6 commercial acres." On line 11, I would like to change "1,374 EDU's" to "1,327 EDU's." Finally on lines 11-12, I would like to modify my last sentence from "This means that existing usable storage capacity is less than what buildout capacity should be by 42 EDU's" to "This means that existing usable storage capacity is only 5 EDU's (0.5%) more than actual planned EDU's for the Eagle Crest community."

1 **Q.7 Does this modification change your conclusion as to whether you agree with Mr.**
2 **Scott's calculations and conclusion that the 530,000 gallon storage reservoir at Water**
3 **Plant No. 3 contains the "excess" capacity he has calculated?**

4 **A.7 No it does not. This modification is insignificant to my analysis.**
5

6 **Q.8 Have you reviewed the June 13, 2011 prepared Surrebuttal Testimony of RUCO**
7 **witness Timothy J. Coley, at page 11 line 19 - page 12 line 16, in which Mr. Coley**
8 **appears to be dismissing both the Company and Staff's "engineering analysis" in**
9 **determining excess capacity because the Staff analysis looks at a planning horizon**
10 **which included estimates for customer growth over a projected five year period; and**
11 **if so, do you agree with any of Mr. Coley's assertions?**

12 **A.8 Yes, I have reviewed this information and I do not agree with his assertions. As I set forth**
13 **in my Rebuttal Testimony, if "backbone" infrastructure like wells and storage reservoirs**
14 **were to be designed and added on the basis of the annual 10% "reserve margin" criterion**
15 **advocated by RUCO, it would be virtually impossible to achieve economies of scale. (See**
16 **Rebuttal Testimony of Mark Taylor, pages 20-22). Rather, if the Company were to follow**
17 **RUCO's approach, plant construction costs would have been significantly higher.**
18

19 **Q.9 Do you believe a projected five year planning horizon is appropriate for planning**
20 **purposes when constructing plant?**

21 **A.9 Yes. In fact, the appropriateness of using a five year planning horizon was confirmed by**
22 **Staff's engineering witness Marlin Scott, Jr., who has testified:**
23

24 **Staff defines excess capacity to mean constructed plant facilities that**
25 **exceed the system requirements within a reasonable planning period. Staff**
26 **typically uses peak demand factors as the requirement and 5 years as a**
 reasonable planning period. Any operating plant facility needed beyond

1 the 5-year planning period may be considered excess capacity.”² The 5-
2 year growth projection enables utilities to provide new service connections
3 for a reasonable period.³

4 **Q.10 Have you prepared an example to support your opinion that by following RUCO’s**
5 **approach, the Company’s plant costs would have been significantly higher?**

6 A.10 Yes. Attached as Appendix A are two schematic drawings depicting two scenarios
7 analyzing the construction of the Water Plant No. 3 costs. As noted, Water Plant No. 3
8 includes one 600,000-gallon storage tank, a 1,200 gallon per minute (gpm) booster station,
9 a hydrotank, electrical and controls and other ancillary facilities. The first drawing is
10 based on the actual construction cost of the single tank, as completed in one phase, at a
11 cost of \$923,956. This cost includes storage tank costs, structure and improvements,
12 electric pumping equipment costs and does not include soft costs for engineering,
13 permitting and construction inspection. A copy of the Plant and Equipment Account Cost
14 Allocation spreadsheet related to Water Plant 3 Construction is presented in Appendix B.
15 With reference to the second drawing, if the Company were to adopt RUCO’s
16 methodology of a 12 month planning horizon and a 10% annual reserve margin, in order
17 to obtain the storage capacity needed by year 2012-2013, the Company would have had to
18 construct three separate 200,000-gallon storage tanks. The conceptual sizing of these
19 tanks was determined to be that which was necessary in order to provide sufficient storage
20 capacity over a 12-month planning horizon and a 10% annual reserve margin. The result
21 was three 200,000 gallon storage tanks constructed every 2-3 years over a 6-8 year time
22 frame. In addition, to accommodate the placement of the three tanks, the Company would
23 have had to purchase an adjacent 0.32 acre lot (Lot No. 605) at a cost of \$ 33,800 (based
24 on “developed acre” costs of \$105,620.05 per acre). A pictorial presentation of the actual

25 ² See Surrebuttal Testimony of Marlin Scott, Jr. Docket No. W-02500A-10-0382, page 4, lines
26 15-19.

³ Id. at page 5, lines 1-2.

1 site profile with one storage and a conceptual site profile with three storage tanks is also
2 included in Appendix A. Finally, O&M costs for the three tanks would be significantly
3 higher, and it would require additional and substantial monitoring to ensure proper water
4 quality in multiple tanks. In total, the cost associated with obtaining 600,000-gallons of
5 additional storage under RUCO's planning methodology would be \$1,434,450, as
6 opposed to \$923,956, or an increase of \$510,494.

7 I suspect if the Company had proceeded in the fashion recommended by RUCO,
8 and then sought to recover costs associated with these three storage tanks, more than one
9 party to this proceeding would be arguing that such piecemeal construction, conducted
10 within the five year planning horizon that Staff recognizes as reasonable, was not prudent
11 and that such costs should be denied.

12
13 **Q.11 According to Mr. Coley, RUCO has now modified its excess capacity calculation.**
14 **Have you reviewed the modified calculation?**

15 A.11 Yes I have.

16
17 **Q.12 Do you agree with RUCO's revised methodology?**

18 A.12 No. Although RUCO's revised methodology excludes the water infrastructure constructed
19 prior to 2005 (the test year of GWC's previous rate case), it applies after-the-fact
20 perspectives and considers growth rate data which was not available to the Company at
21 the time water system planning was done and plant construction decisions were made in
22 2005-06. In my opinion, this is simply "Monday morning quarterbacking" by RUCO, and
23 is not reasonable or appropriate. Also, as previously discussed in this testimony, if the
24 Company were to construct water plant and water lines based on a 12 month planning
25 horizon and 10% annual reserve margin (RUCO's advocated approach), the Company's
26 customers would have ended up paying almost 50% more than what the actual costs are.

1 Such "piece meal" construction approach for a small water company like GWC will result
2 in higher construction costs, and eventually a higher financial burden on the customers.
3 Based on the information available and growth pattern observed at the time of water
4 system planning in 2005-06, I believe that the Company made a prudent decision to
5 construct the water infrastructure that was projected to be needed at that time. This was
6 also discussed in detail in my Rebuttal Testimony on pages 16-20 (Questions 22 through
7 24).
8

9 **Q.13 Have you also analyzed the cost associated with constructing the transmission and**
10 **distribution mains at issue in this case using RUCO's recommended planning**
11 **methodology?**

12 A.13 Yes. We developed conceptual cost estimate examples for a phased construction
13 approach as advocated by RUCO. For example, if GWC, or any other water utility for
14 that matter, were to construct a 4,000 feet water line in four phases of 1,000 feet each, the
15 cost of construction would escalate by nearly 50%. The cost of constructing 4,000 feet
16 water line in a single phase before any roads, paving, curb and gutter are constructed is
17 approximately \$208,000. However, the cost of construction of the same 4,000 feet water
18 line built in four phases of 1,000 each over a period of time (with associated "cutting" and
19 repaving) is estimated to be \$307,000, which is 48% higher than the single phase
20 construction approach adopted by GWC. These conceptual cost estimates are set forth in
21 Appendix C.

22 GWC believes that this information demonstrates the prudence of its system
23 planning approach and it also refutes the suggestion of Staff witnesses Marlin Scott, Jr.
24 and Gordon Fox that \$128,600 in transmission and distribution mains should not be
25 recognized for ratemaking purposes. In that regard, it is further my understanding that it
26 is the Company's legal position that plant which was in fact prudently constructed is to be

1 deemed “used and useful” for ratemaking purposes.

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3 **Q.14 Please address the assertion in this case that GWC’s existing system facilities could**
4 **serve 1,800 customer connections.**

5 A.14 It is my understanding that this assertion appeared in a 2010 ACC Staff Memorandum
6 authored by Utilities Division Director Steve Olea to support a Staff recommendation that
7 GWC’s 2007 request for a hook-up fee be denied. As I described in detail in my Rebuttal
8 Testimony, page 16-19 (Question 22), GWC’s existing system facilities are designed to
9 serve approximately 1,332 units. It is unclear how Mr. Olea arrived at the 1,800 number;
10 and, thus, I am not in a position at this time to be more specific in my criticism. But, in
11 my opinion, his assertion is without a basis in fact.

12

13 **Q.15 Have you reviewed Exhibit MSJ-1 attached to Mr. Scott’s surrebuttal testimony?**

14 A.15 Yes I have.

15

16 **Q.16 Do you agree with Mr. Scott’s conclusion that Water Plant No. 3’s storage tank**
17 **capacity of 410,000 gallons is not excess capacity and therefore is used and useful?**

18 A.16 Yes.

19

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21 **Q.17 Does this conclude your Rejoinder Testimony in this case?**

22 A.17 Yes, it does.

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**Goodman Water Company
Docket No. W-02500A-10-0382**

MARK F. TAYLOR

REJOINDER TESTIMONY

July 12, 2011

APPENDIX A

<p>Existing one 600,000-gallon (nominal volume) Storage Tank</p>	<p>Conceptual three 200,000-gallon (nominal volume) Gallon Storage Tanks</p>
<div data-bbox="461 300 1425 957" data-label="Figure"> </div> <div data-bbox="272 155 389 720" data-label="List-Group"> <p>Key Points:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) Only requires single lot 2) Easy to operate and maintain 3) All construction activities completed in one phase </div> <div data-bbox="159 111 185 514" data-label="Text"> <p>Actual Construction Costs: \$923,956</p> </div>	<div data-bbox="461 1236 1425 1894" data-label="Figure"> </div> <div data-bbox="215 1094 389 1917" data-label="List-Group"> <p>Key Points:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) Would require purchase of adjacent Lot No. 605, therefore increasing costs 2) Difficult to operate and maintain therefore increases O&M costs 3) Phased construction which results in higher construction costs 4) Need additional monitoring and enhanced operation to maintain acceptable water quality in the storage tanks. </div> <div data-bbox="159 1047 185 1633" data-label="Text"> <p>Estimated Conceptual Construction Costs:\$1,434,500</p> </div>

Actual Water Plant # 3 Costs of Construction

No.	Cost Item	Actual Costs for 600,000 gallon (nominal) tank
1	Site Work	\$ 34,325.00
2	5000 gallon hydro tank	\$ 30,000.00
3	Air Compressor	\$ 7,500.00
4	Site Piping, fittings and valves	\$ 60,950.00
5	New 1,200 gpm booster station incl. valves, flow meter	\$ 101,000.00
6	New Electrical Equipment and Controls	\$ 138,000.00
7	Masonry Block Wall	\$ 81,000.00
8	Storage Shed	\$ 4,000.00
9	Rip rap in groud per plans	\$ 58,500.00
10	Access Road	\$ 7,500.00
11	Access Gate	\$ 5,800.00
12	Construction Water	\$ 2,500.00
13	340,000 (usable) storage tank	\$ 285,500.00
14	Taxes (est. 4.3% of subtotal from actual invoice)	\$ 35,031.07
15	Subtotal WP#3 Costs	\$ 851,606.07
16	Upsize Storage tank to 530,000 gallons (usable)	\$ 72,350.00
17	Total Actual WP#3 Hard Costs	\$ 923,956

SUMMARY

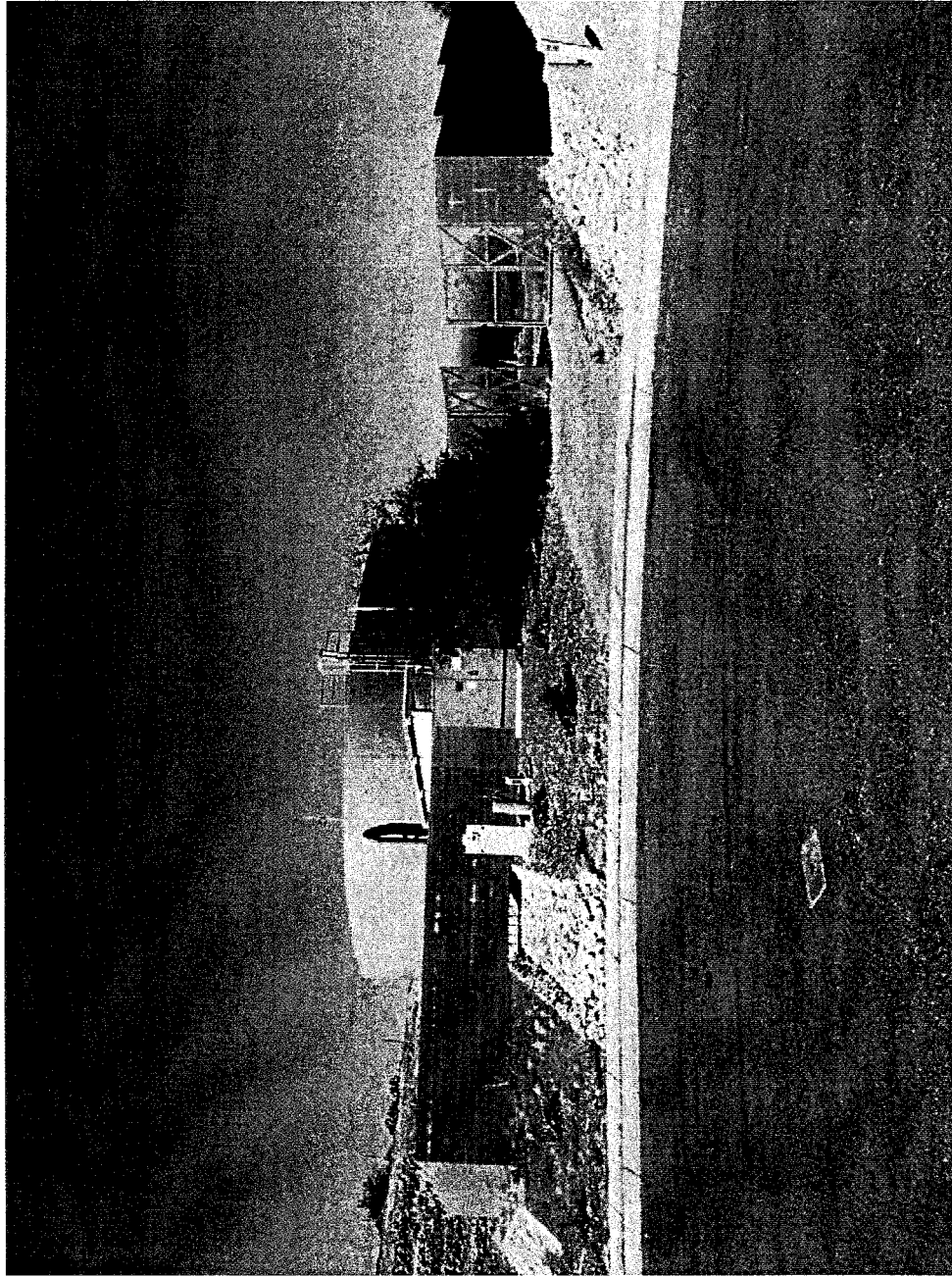
Total Actual WP#3 Hard Costs	\$ 923,956
Total Conceptual Phased Construction Costs	\$ 1,434,463
Dollar Amount Difference	\$ 510,507
Percent Difference	55%

Assumptions:

1. Original 600,000 gallon storage tank costs used to develop this conceptual estimate
2. Storage tank costs estimate based on 5% cost increase from previous phase
3. All pumping and electrical constructed for build out as part of Phase 1 Construction
5. Actual Construction Costs obtained from Smyth Steel Construction Invoice Dated 01/28/08 for WP# 3
6. Does not include existing Water Plant 3 land costs
7. Does not include Actual Soft Costs and Conceptual Phase 1 Soft Cost as they would approximately balance eachother

Conceptual Water Plant # 3 Costs of Phased Construction

No.	Cost Item	Phase 1 (200,000 nominal gallon tank)	Phase 2 (200,000 nominal gallon tank)	Phase 3 (200,000 nominal gallon tank)
1	Site Work	\$ 51,760	\$ 10,000	\$ 10,000
2	5000 gallon hydro tank	\$ 30,000	\$ -	\$ -
3	Air Compressor	\$ 7,500	\$ -	\$ -
4	Site Piping, fittings and valves	\$ 60,950	\$ 10,000	\$ 10,000
5	New 1,200 gpm booster station incl. valves, flow meter	\$ 101,000	\$ -	\$ -
6	New Electrical Equipment and Controls	\$ 138,000	\$ 8,000	\$ 8,000
7	Masonry Block Wall	\$ 102,335	\$ -	\$ -
8	Storage Shed	\$ 4,000	\$ -	\$ -
9	Rip rap in groud per plans	\$ 88,214	\$ -	\$ -
10	Two 14' Access Gate	\$ 15,000	\$ -	\$ -
11	Access Road	\$ 5,800	\$ -	\$ -
12	Construction Water	\$ 3,770	\$ 1,500	\$ 1,500
13	200,000 (nominal) storage tank	\$ 186,000	\$ 196,000	\$ 206,000
14	Estimated Taxes	\$ 34,156	\$ 9,697	\$ 10,127
15	Additional Engineering, permitting and const. mgmt	\$ -	\$ 32,928	\$ 34,388
16	Mobilization/Demobilization Costs	\$ -	\$ 11,760	\$ 12,281
17	Additional Cost of lot 605	\$ 33,798	\$ -	\$ -
17	Total Actual WP#3 Hard Costs	\$ 862,283	\$ 279,884	\$ 292,296
				\$ 1,434,463



Actual Site Picture



Conceptual Picture with Three
200,000 gallon storage tanks

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APPENDIX B

GOODMAN WATER COMPANY
PHASE IV
COSTS ALLOCATION

PLANT & EQUIPMENT ACCOUNT ALLOCATION

	ACTUAL	SALES TAX	TOTAL	TRANSMISSION & DISTRIBUTION LINES	SERVICES	HYDRAULICS	STRUCTURES & IMPROVEMENTS	RESERVOIRS & STORAGE TANKS	ELECTRIC PUMP/PIG EQUIPMENT	OTHER PLANT & MISC EQUIPMENT
BORDERLAND - WATER - PHASE 4A										
12" CL 200 C-900 WATERMAIN	255,880.50	10,977.27	266,857.77	266,857.77						
8" CL 200 C-900 WATERMAIN	151,536.00	6,500.89	158,036.89	158,036.89						
6" CL 200 C-900 WATERMAIN	4,384.80	188.11	4,572.91	4,572.91						
12" VALVE	13,455.00	577.22	14,032.22	14,032.22						
8" VALVE	15,485.00	664.31	16,149.31	16,149.31						
6" VALVE	7,200.00	308.88	7,508.88	7,508.88						
2" DRAIN VALVE ASSEMBLY	8,040.00	344.92	8,384.92	8,384.92						
FIRE HYDRANT	21,725.00	932.00	22,657.00	22,657.00						
1" SINGLE SERVICE	27,170.00	1,165.59	28,335.59	28,335.59						
3/4" SINGLE SERVICE	10,620.00	455.60	11,075.60	11,075.60						
1" DOUBLE SERVICE	38,160.00	1,637.06	39,797.06	39,797.06						
CONNECT TO EXISTING	4,020.00	172.46	4,192.46	4,192.46						
TOTAL - WATER PHASE 4A	557,676.30	23,924.31	581,600.61	(0.00) 479,735.36	79,208.25	22,657.00	-	-	-	-
BORDERLAND - WATER - PHASE 4C										
12" CL 200 C-900 WATERMAIN	30,478.50	1,307.52	31,786.02	31,786.02						
8" CL 200 C-900 WATERMAIN	56,925.00	2,442.08	59,367.08	59,367.08						
6" CL 200 C-900 WATERMAIN	32,760.00	1,405.40	34,165.40	34,165.40						
12" VALVE	1,540.00	66.07	1,606.07	1,606.07						
8" VALVE	3,320.00	142.43	3,462.43	3,462.43						
6" VALVE	4,305.00	184.68	4,489.68	4,489.68						
2" DRAIN VALVE ASSEMBLY	3,350.00	143.72	3,493.72	3,493.72						
FIRE HYDRANT	9,875.00	423.64	10,298.64	10,298.64						
2" IRRIGATION SERVICE	1,525.00	65.42	1,590.42	1,590.42						
3/4" SINGLE SERVICE	9,150.00	392.54	9,542.54	9,542.54						
1" DOUBLE SERVICE	33,970.00	1,457.31	35,427.31	35,427.31						
CONNECT TO EXISTING	2,010.00	86.23	2,096.23	2,096.23						
TOTAL - WATER PHASE 4C	189,208.50	8,117.04	197,325.54	(0.00) 140,466.63	46,560.27	10,298.64	-	-	-	-
BORDERLAND - CHANGE ORDERS										
#9	5,770.00	247.54	6,017.54							
#10	50,024.55	2,146.05	52,170.60	33,017.74	10,913.95	8,238.91			6,017.54	-
TOTAL - CHANGE ORDERS	55,794.55	2,393.60	58,188.15	33,017.74	10,913.95	8,238.91	-	-	6,017.54	-
TOTAL - BORDERLAND COSTS	802,679.35	34,434.95	837,114.30	(0.01) 653,219.73	136,682.47	41,194.55	-	-	-	-
SMYTHE STEEL										
SITE WORK										
5,000 GALLON HYDRO-PNEUMATIC TANK	34,325.00	1,472.54	35,797.54						35,797.54	-
AIR COMPRESSOR	30,000.00	1,287.00	31,287.00						31,287.00	-
SITE PIPING	7,500.00	321.75	7,821.75						7,821.75	-
1,200 GPM BOOSTER STATION	60,950.00	2,614.76	63,564.76						63,564.76	-
ELECTRICAL EQUIPMENT	101,000.00	4,332.90	105,332.90						105,332.90	-
MASONRY WALLS	138,000.00	5,920.20	143,920.20						143,920.20	-
STORAGE SHED	81,000.00	3,474.50	84,474.50						84,474.50	-
ROCK RIP-RAP	4,000.00	171.60	4,171.60						4,171.60	-
14" GATE	58,500.00	2,509.65	61,009.65						61,009.65	-
12" ACCESS ROAD	7,500.00	321.75	7,821.75						7,821.75	-
CONSTRUCTION WATER	5,800.00	248.82	6,048.82						6,048.82	-
340,000 RESERVOIR	2,500.00	107.25	2,607.25						2,607.25	-
	285,500.00	12,247.95	297,747.95						297,747.95	-

GOODMAN WATER COMPANY
PHASE IV
COSTS ALLOCATION

PLANT & EQUIPMENT ACCOUNT ALLOCATION

	ACTUAL	SALES TAX	TOTAL	TRANSMISSION & DISTRIBUTION LINES	SERVICES	HYDRANTS	STRUCTURES & IMPROVEMENTS	RESERVOIRS & STORAGE TANKS	ELECTRIC PUMPING EQUIPMENT	OTHER PLANT & MISC EQUIPMENT
TOTAL SMYTHE STEEL	816,575.00	35,031.07	851,606.07	-	-	-	163,526.72	438,826.25	249,253.10	-
EAGLE CREST WEST, LLC										
UPSIDE RESERVOIR	69,373.86	2,976.14	72,350.00							

TOTAL HARD COSTS	1,688,628.21	72,442.16	1,761,070.36	653,219.73	136,682.47	41,194.55	163,526.72	517,193.79	249,253.10	-
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SOFT COSTS

WESTLAND INVOICES

WATER SYSTEM SUPPORT

INV 29202071	298.75
INV 29202072	263.70

WATER PLAN REVIEW

INV 29210012	906.40
INV 29210013	445.75
INV 29210014	553.50
INV 29210015	234.50
INV 29210016	96.75
INV 29210017	152.50
INV 29210018	187.75
INV 29210019	202.50
INV 29210020	82.00
INV 29212012	72.75
INV 29219001	3,420.00
INV 29219002	190.00
INV 29219003	190.00

ONSITE WATER INSPECTION SERVICES

INV 29220001	8,250.00
INV 29220002	4,812.50
INV 29220003	687.50
INV 29221001	1,112.50
INV 29221002	2,225.00
INV 29221003	2,225.00
INV 29221004	1,112.50
INV 29221005	1,112.50
INV 29221006	2,225.00
INV 29221007	2,225.00
INV 29221008	2,225.00
INV 29221009	3,337.50
INV 29221010	8,590.00

TOTAL WESTLAND	47,436.85
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OPW ENGINEERING INVOICES

OFFSITE DESIGN

INV 11579	400.00
INV 11661	500.00
INV 11787	1,300.00
INV 11862	900.00
INV 12203	400.00
INV 12301	500.00

GOODMAN WATER COMPANY
PHASE IV
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	ACTUAL	SALES TAX	TOTAL
INV 12606			350.00
INV 12841			750.00
STAKING			
INV 13029			500.00
INV 13124			2,800.00
INV 13144			900.00
INV 13209			5,200.00
INV 13326			800.00
INV 13601			157.50
INV 13667			405.00
INV 13726			787.50
INV 13796			105.00
PHASE 4 DESIGN			
INV 11478			750.37
INV 11578			600.00
INV 11682			950.73
INV 11786			3,067.73
INV 11861			1,241.49
INV 11924			221.59
INV 12042			39.14
INV 12111			55.54
INV 12201			447.14
INV 12271			5,911.59
INV 12300			262.32
INV 12361			532.90
INV 12456			3,258.76
INV 12538			752.07
INV 12600			1,382.92
INV 12712			789.80
INV 12773			515.68
INV 12828			432.78
INV 12902			291.06
INV 12928			39.11
INV 13967			198.84

TOTAL OPW ENGINEERING

38,496.56

TOTAL SOFT COSTS

\$ 85,933.41

PLANT & EQUIPMENT ACCOUNT ALLOCATION

	TRANSMISSION & DISTRIBUTION		SERVICES		HYDRAULICS		STRUCTURES & IMPROVEMENTS		RESERVOIRS & STORAGE TANKS		ELECTRIC PUMPING EQUIPMENT		OTHER PLANT & MISC EQUIPMENT	
	LAWS		LAWS		LAWS		LAWS		LAWS		LAWS		LAWS	
COST ALLOCATION SUMMARY														
HARD COSTS	\$	1,761,070.36	\$	653,219.73	\$	136,682.47	\$	41,194.55	\$	163,526.72	\$	517,193.79	\$	249,253.10
HARD COSTS %		100%		37.09%		7.76%		2.34%		9.29%		29.37%		14.15%
% SHARE OF SOFT COST	\$	85,933.41	\$	31,874.59	\$	6,689.57	\$	2,010.13	\$	7,979.47	\$	25,237.05	\$	12,162.59
TOTAL COST ALLOCATION	\$	1,847,003.77	\$	685,094.32	\$	143,352.04	\$	43,204.68	\$	171,506.19	\$	542,430.84	\$	261,415.69
														0.0%

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APPENDIX C

Actual 4,000 LF of Water Line vs. 1,000 LF of phased construction four phase

Phase	Item	Unit Price	Qty.	Amt.	Comment
Phase 1 - 4,000 feet of waterline	12" Waterline	\$ 52.10	4,000	\$ 208,400	From Borderland estimate

Total Actual Construction Costs

\$ 208,400

Conceptual Costs of 4,000 LF of Waterline Constructed Over Four Phases

Phase	Item	Unit Price	Qty.	Phase 1 Costs
Phase 1 - 1,000 feet of waterline	12" Waterline	\$ 52.10	1,000	\$ 52,100

Phase	Item	Unit Price	Qty.	Phase 2 Costs	Phase 3 Costs	Phase 4 Costs
Phases 2, 3 and 4 - 1,000 feet of waterline each	12" waterline	\$ 52.10	1,000	\$ 52,100	\$ 52,100	\$ 52,100
	Subgrade Preparation	\$ 1.25	333	\$ 417	\$ 417	\$ 417
	10" ABC	\$ 13.20	333	\$ 4,400	\$ 4,400	\$ 4,400
	4" AC	\$ 18.95	333	\$ 6,317	\$ 6,317	\$ 6,317
	Traffic Control	\$ 3,000	1 LS	\$ 3,000	\$ 3,000	\$ 3,000
	Contractor Mob/demob	\$ 3,000	1 LS	\$ 3,000	\$ 3,000	\$ 3,000
	Engineering, Permitting and Construction Admin	\$ 16,000	1 LS	\$ 16,000	\$ 16,000	\$ 16,000
	Total for Each Phase			\$ 85,233	\$ 85,233	\$ 85,233

Total Conceptual Four-Phase Construction Costs \$ 307,800

SUMMARY

Total Actual 4,000 ft Waterline Costs	\$ 208,400
Total Conceptual 4,000 ft Waterline Costs	\$ 307,800
Dollar Amount Difference	\$ 99,400
Percent Difference	48%

Assumptions:

1. Original Borderland Invoice costs used to develop this conceptual estimate
2. Phase 1 construction prior to any street construction
3. Does not include Actual Soft Costs and Phase 1 Soft Cost